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65TH CONGRESS,
1st Session.

H. R. 6447.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

OCTOBER 4, 1917.

Mr. HULBERT introduced the following bill: which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs and ordered to be printed.

A BILL

To provide and award honor medals and other tokens for valor and for distinguished services to the United States.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That in order to provide suitable honor medals, crosses, and
4 other insignia of like character, to be awarded by duly
5 designated officers of the United States Government service
6 to soldiers, sailors, and others in the Army and Navy
7 services, and to civilians as may be necessary, who, by special
8 acts of heroism, or heroic endeavor, or great sacrifice, have
9 rendered to the United States conspicuous or distinguished
10 services, there shall be created an honor commission, consist-
11 ing of the Secretary of State, the Secretary of War, the
12 Secretary of the Navy, the president of the National

1 Academy of Design, the Director of the Mint, and one dis-
2 tinguished citizen, to be selected and appointed by the Presi-
3 dent of the United States.

4 SEC. 2. That the two commissioners not in the service
5 of the Government shall hold office for periods of four years
6 and shall serve without salaries.

7 SEC. 3. That the duties of the honor commission shall
8 be to provide medals, crosses, or other insignia for the recog-
9 nition of distinguished services, prepare regulations for the
10 making of awards on the field of battle, on the sea, or else-
11 where, and take all steps necessary to furnish duly approved
12 insignia for bestowal according to the accepted regulations.

13 SEC. 4. That all the regulations finally adopted by a
14 two-thirds vote of members of the honor commission, and
15 the designs for insignia accepted and adopted by a two-
16 thirds vote of the commission, shall be submitted for approval
17 to the President of the United States, the President of the
18 Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the
19 chairmen of the Committees on Military Affairs of the Senate
20 and House of Representatives, and the chairmen of the Com-
21 mittees on Naval Affairs of the Senate and House of Rep-
22 resentatives; and when duly approved in writing by a
23 majority of those officers of the United States Government
24 and promulgated by the President the regulations of the
25 honor commission shall have due warrant of law.

1 SEC. 5. That any person who receives, under the terms
2 of the regulations of the honor commission, a decoration for
3 gallantry or distinguished services shall be entitled to wear
4 the insignia bestowed and to place after his or her name the
5 initials that signify the character of the recognition that has
6 been bestowed: and every person who, since August first,
7 nineteen hundred and fourteen, has received, or in the
8 future may receive, from the government of any foreign
9 nation a medal, cross, ribbon, wreath, or other insignia of
10 honor for gallantry or meritorious services of any kind may
11 retain and wear the same under the rules governing its
12 display; and all Acts or parts of Acts contrary to the letter
13 or the spirit of this provision are hereby repealed.

14 SEC. 6. That no person shall wear any medal, cross, or
15 other insignia or place after his name any initials emanating
16 from this Act to whom such honor has not been regularly
17 awarded as herein provided, and any person violating this
18 provision of law shall be liable to a fine not exceeding \$500
19 or imprisonment in a Federal prison for a period not exceed-
20 ing five hundred days.

21 SEC. 7. That all insignia to be bestowed by the United
22 States under the terms of this Act shall be manufactured by
23 the United States mint, subject to the approval of the honor
24 commission.

1 SEC. 8. That for carrying into effect the provisions of
2 this Act there is hereby appropriated, out of the moneys in
3 the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, available until
4 expended, the sum of \$5,000 for the necessary expenses of
5 the honor commission and \$5,000 for the cost of work that
6 may be done in the United States mint.

7 SEC. 9. That this Act shall take effect immediately
8 upon its passage and approval.

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ADEQUATE WAR MEDALS AND CROSSES NEEDED

A PLAIN TALK TO CONGRESS, ON JUSTICE TO THE HEROES OF OUR ARMY, NAVY AND RED CROSS SERVICE

To all Members of Congress:

The United States government's existing honor system for the recognition of heroism in war is totally insufficient to meet the needs of the hour. In available honors and insignia, and in methods of award, **we are at least 50 years behind the times!**

The bill that recently passed the Senate, and now is on the Union Calendar of the House as No. 56, really is worse than no bill at all; because it *looks* like bringing this business down to date, when in reality it does nothing of the kind.

Beside the highly prized war medals, crosses and Legion of Honor decorations now being bestowed by our Allies upon fighting heroes, and nurses and ambulance men, our solitary war medal looks like a joke; and as if to add a fine point to it, our existing Army regulations *actually forbid the wearing of any foreign decoration for gallantry by any man in our army, or who joins our army!* For sheer absurdity and rank injustice, can you beat that? Now, as man to man, tell me: How do you like the idea of robbing an American aviator of his Cross of War, by statute law, whenever he elects to fight in our army under his own flag? *That is exactly what our army regulations do today!*

The basic idea of forbidding Americans to accept and to wear foreign decorations is unwarranted timidity, no more and no less; and the time for mincing matters in regard to it has gone by.

Every intelligent person must realize the great military value of war medals and crosses that are promptly bestowed on the field, before the act of heroism has grown cold and stale. The French government shrewdly puts forth much thought and effort in rewarding gallant services that go beyond the regular duties of the soldier. At this moment a million Frenchmen are ready to risk their lives to the utmost for the government whose generals in the presence of the army promptly pin upon the breast of the soldier the much coveted *Croix de Guerre*. Why are we so crude and slow in such matters?

At frequent intervals we read, with thrills of pride, of the decoration by French Generals of American airmen, physicians, nurses and ambulance men; and usually the decorations are bestowed so quickly after the event that our first news of the American exploit is merged in the news of the award.

Where is the British soldier who would not willingly risk almost certain destruction for the government that bestows the world-renowned Victoria Cross, "for Valor"? And proud is the British soldier or sailor who finds printed after his name in the official lists the thrilling initials, "D. S. O."

OUR PRESENT LAME SITUATION

Saving only one war medal, the bestowal of which is by a comparatively slow and circuitous process, everything in the honor line which England and France possess, and use with fine effect, **we lack!** *Are Americans satisfied with their far-backward position?*

It is not the business of the officers of our Army and Navy to devise and promote war honors for themselves. To do so would be entirely beneath their dignity. Theoretically, a hero can not "apply" for a medal; but, strange to say, our army regulations today actually provide that soldiers may "make application" for the existing war medal! Is it not absurd, and humiliating?

To provide war honors and tokens of appreciation for gallant services in war is the bounden duty of civilians. In our much-belated and now frantic preparations for the war that clearly loomed up ahead of us on the morning after the *Lusitania* horror, (May 8, 1915), this honor matter has been overlooked and neglected. Even when the bill now before the House was drawn and passed in the Senate, it would seem that no one gave careful and adequate thought to the matter. We know that this is true, because had serious thought been bestowed upon that subject, the bill would not have been quite so horribly inadequate as it now is. **Why, it does not even mention the U. S. Navy or Marine Corps!** It provides only for the "Army"! Even the Secretary of the Navy had been kept in ignorance of this feature until we brought it to his attention on September 21!

WHY WE ACT

I have taken up this war honor matter because no one else has done so in an adequate way. Up to date I represent the duty of American citizens to **the two million soldiers, airmen, sailors, marines and Red Cross men and women** who in a very short time will be risking their lives on the battlefields of Europe, in the presence of the most brutal foe and the dirtiest fighters that the "civilized" world has known in 400 years.

I am telling Congress why I am promoting this cause; not apologizing for my enlistment in it. This duty has been put upon me by the negligence of others.

For four weeks I have been working to get things started in the right direction, at both ends of the Capitol. I expected quick appreciation, and enthusiastic cooperation. Neither Senate nor House is now overworking. In fact, things are rather quiet down there. And how have my efforts been received?

APATHY IN CONGRESS

Thus far I have encountered nothing but apathy, indifference, and stone walls of Silence. I have not been able to secure sympathy or cooperation from any one member of either House! It looks as if neither Senate nor House cares one rap whether this matter receives proper attention or not. There are certain Committees and Chairmen whose business it is,—by virtue of their positions,—to attend to this matter, and all others like it; and to them I have insistently appealed. Have they responded to this call? Not on your life! *Not one of them!*

This matter has been treated with as much indifference and silence as if I were asking for a pension for myself of \$5,000 a year!

The *Washington Post* (of September 17) and the *New York Tribune* of September 20 printed my letter and my draft for a bill; which certainly brought the matter before every member of Congress present in Washington between those dates. I have asked, both by publication and by letters, that the war medal bill now before the House (Union Calendar No. 56) shall be recalled by the Committee on Military Affairs, for further consideration, and that a hearing upon it then be granted without delay. There are many good men in New York and elsewhere who gladly will attend such a hearing, and ask for comprehensive action.

THE ROAD TO GOOD RESULTS

After thirty years of experience in the creation of new foundations,—including several kinds of honors for services, ranging all the way from paper certificates to gold medals,—it is perfectly clear to me that the end desired can best and most easily be secured through an **honor commission**, created by Congress. To attempt to settle all the details of the matter in a Congressional bill would involve endless discussion, and the revision and revision of every proposal and detail, with the certainty of prolonged delay and very doubtful results. The necessity for prompt action and a quick finish is a prime factor.

A properly constituted honor commission, composed of the government officers most directly concerned in the success of the whole undertaking, would provide for an adequate study of existing conditions, a survey of what has been done by other nations, and finally, the formulation of a plan of foundation that would be at least equal to the best in existence elsewhere.

When a comprehensive plan has been evolved, it should be submitted to those high officers of Congress most closely connected with the subject; and when finally approved by a majority of them, and by the President, a presidential proclamation should be the only thing necessary to turn on the motive power of statute law.

All this work cannot be accomplished entirely without expense. The trifling expenditures necessary to the business of the Commission can be met by a fund of \$5,000, while another \$5,000 will produce, in the United States Mint, a supply of dies, presses and insignia sufficient for the next ten years, or longer.

SEVERAL GRADES OF SERVICES AND AWARDS

Let no friend of the Army, Navy or Red Cross make the mistake of believing that two war medals, or even twice that number, will be sufficient for the acknowledgment of the gallant services that will be rendered to our government and to our nation, even during the next twelve months. Every person charged with the award of honors over a wide field, and covering several branches of service, soon comes up against the hard fact that even in heroism and achievement there are many grades and classes. There is a personal heroism in combat and capture; there is heroism in leadership; there is the reward for the high command that wins great battles or great campaigns; and there is the valor of the doctors, the nurses and the ambulance men who risk their lives day in and day out, through hurricanes of bursting shells, in caring for wounded men. The cold courage that can go unarmed through a field of fire and death to succor suffering men is of just as high order as is that of the armed trench fighter who is inspired to combat by the savage joy of getting in his work on a hated enemy.

HONOR AWARDS TO CIVILIANS

And furthermore. The man who can not go to the front, but who gladly lays a supreme sacrifice on the altar of his country, a sacrifice of great value in a trying hour, is not to be despised nor forgotten by a grateful people. During this war hundreds of civilians will render services to the nation that the nation should not ignore.

WHY WITHHOLD?

Why withhold tokens of a nation's gratitude when those tokens cost so little and mean so much? If any mistakes must be made in this matter, **let us offer too many tokens of appreciation rather than too few!** This nation, like Belgium, France, England and Italy, now is offering upon the altar of Human Freedom the bravest and the best of its young manhood. Is it possible to show too much appreciation of the services of those who survive the shock of combat and the horrors of war?

The "rich men,"—aye, even the anarchistically despised "rich,"—are mobilizing their manhood for service in the trenches, and freely giving their wealth, in order that Human Liberty may triumph, and that the Rights of Man may be conserved. Is it not conceivable that a private citizen not in uniform may render a service to the nation that may justly entitle him to a recognition for "distinguished service"? At least one man thinks so. I hold it a great pity that Amer-

icans have no Legion or Honor like that of France, and I also hold, very strongly, that *now* would be a good time to make good that deficiency in our national life.

VARIOUS GRADES OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

I hold, most strongly, that ten or a dozen grades of valorous and "distinguished" services will need to be officially recognized, and that medals, crosses and shields, each of at least three classes, should be established. We should have a D. S. O. like that of Great Britain, and a badge to represent it.

All these needs easily can be canvassed and settled by an honor commission such as my proposed bill provides. The machinery that I propose is very simple, but it can be made thoroughly effective. To carry it into effect, *the inadequate bill now before the House should be withdrawn*, and no pride of authorship should stand in the way of a complete change. The existing bill (56) *can not* be "amended" to the point of doing the right thing, and no more! As well might one try to expand a fur garment by piecing it out with silk.

This matter is so important to 2,500,000 men and women that no trifles should be permitted to stand in the way of an absolutely correct foundation. *The right way* is the only way that should be considered!

I repeat that at this moment, in the business of providing and awarding distinguished-service honors, this nation is fully 50 years behind the times. Is this *satisfactory* to the American people, or to Congress? Is it creditable? Is it because we are *unwilling* to do as well by our army, navy and hospital service as is done by England and France? This can not be possible.

THE CALL TO DUTY

I ask the two Houses of Congress to take up this matter, and act upon it *at once*. I ask that a plan shall be adopted which will be thoroughly comprehensive, and quick in the production of results. I insist that adequate awards for valor shall be made on the field, as promptly as they are made by France.

To accomplish these ends, I submit a plan which I know can be made to produce the results called for. A hundred other plans might be proposed; and a year might easily be spent in deliberation; but why take the longest and the roughest road to a Result?

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM T. HORNADAY

Vice-Pres. U. S. Army League,
Trustee American Defense Society.

2186 Loring Place,
New York, Sept. 25, 1917.

Aviators to Leave French for Pershing

Seventy Per Cent of Americans Elect to Fight Under Stars and Stripes

PARIS, Sept. 1.—American aviators serving in the French army, including the relatively small group forming the Lafayette Escadrille, have been canvassed by American officers as to whether they wish to leave their present service and join the American army. Seventy per cent of the Americans immediately said they would like to go to the American army and aid in the formation of an experienced aerial corps.

Almost all of the remaining 30 per cent replied that they would join the American army conditionally. One condition often mentioned was the paragraph in the United States Army regulations forbidding American soldiers from wearing foreign decorations. Many of these aviators have won by deeds of great courage some one or all of the French military orders—the Legion of Honor, the War Cross or the Military Medal. Under the French service regulations these decorations or ribbons representing them must be worn always on the uniform. The Americans are proud to have these distinctions, and consider it would be lacking in respect for them to go into the American uniform and discard the French decorations.

AMERICAN GIVEN WAR CROSS

PARIS, Sept. 23.—Raymond R. Croke, of Denver, attached to the American Ambulance service, has been awarded the French War Cross for removing wounded under a heavy bombardment during the French offensive at Verdun last August.

*Can we do
any less?*

V. C. FOR A SMACK CAPTAIN.

The Victoria Cross has been bestowed by King George on Joseph Watt, R. N. R., owner of a fishing smack, for heroic conduct during the action in the Straits of Otranto on May 15 this year, when the allied drifter line was attacked by Austrian light cruisers. According to the official report, Watt, who was in command of one of the drifters, was ordered by the Captain of an Austrian cruiser to abandon his craft. Instead of obeying Watt ordered the engineer of his craft, the Gowan Lea, to go full speed ahead, and then called upon his crew to give three cheers and fight to a finish. They fired on the Austrian warship with their long bow gun round after round as rapidly as the shells could be served, until a shot from the enemy craft struck the breach and put the gun out of action. The gun crew would not give up, and stuck to the gun under heavy fire in their efforts to make it work.

HONORS FOR AMERICANS.

Medals Conferred Upon Nurses and Doctors in French Hospital.

PARIS, Sept. 16.—Justin Godart, under secretary for the Army Medical Service, visited yesterday the chateau in the Department of Yonne where the French Hospital of New York has conducted a military hospital of 250 beds since early in 1916. After a luncheon the administrator of the hospital, long a resident of Brooklyn, spoke of the origin of the work, which was at first supported by Mrs. William Fitzgerald of New York and now by Henry Walter of Baltimore.

After an eloquent tribute to America's service to the French wounded M. Godart expressed regret that he was unable to bestow the Legion of Honor on Major Culler, head physician, as the latter is a member of the American Army and the decoration must be reserved until it can be given with the consent of Major Culler's Government.

Medals of Public Instruction were given to Drs. John Irwin and Thomas Savage, who have served since the hospital was started. Other medals were given to Ruby Rodgers, Sister Leonore, Nurses O'Reilly and O'Connor, Isabel Adams, Flora Dixon, Anna Crowley, Teresa Gourley and Mrs. Grace Wright.

Pertinent Paragraphs from September Newspapers.

**DRAFT FOR A BILL THAT WILL PUT THIS WHOLE MATTER ON A BROAD
AND SATISFACTORY FOUNDATION**

Full text of the Hurlbut Bill

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled that in order to provide suitable honor medals, crosses and other insignia of like character to be awarded by duly designated officers of the United States Government service to soldiers, sailors and others in the army and navy services, and to civilians as may be necessary, who by special acts of heroism, or heroic endeavor, or great sacrifice, have rendered to the United States conspicuous or distinguished services, there shall be created an honor commission, consisting of the Secretary of State, the Secretary of War, the Secretary of the Navy, the President of the National Academy of Design, the Director of the Mint, and one distinguished citizen to be selected and appointed by the President of the United States.

Sec. 2.—The two commissioners not in the service of the Government shall hold office for periods of four years, and shall serve without salaries.

Sec. 3.—The duties of the honor commission shall be to provide medals, crosses or other insignia for the recognition of distinguished services, prepare regulations for the making of awards, on the field of battle, on the sea, or elsewhere, and take all steps necessary to furnish duly approved insignia for bestowal according to the accepted regulations.

Sec. 4.—All the regulations finally adopted by a two-thirds vote of members of the honor commission, and the designs for insignia accepted and adopted by a two-thirds vote of the commission, shall be submitted for approval to the President of the United States, the Speaker of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Chairmen of the Committees on Military Affairs of the Senate and House, and the Chairmen of the Committees on Naval Affairs of the Senate and House of Representatives; and when duly approved in writing by a majority of those officers of the United States Government, and promulgated by the President, the regulations of the honor commission shall have due warrant of law.

Sec. 5.—Any person who receives under the terms of the regulations of the honor commission a decoration for gallantry or distinguished services shall be entitled to wear the insignia bestowed and to place after his or her name the initials that signify the character of the recognition that has been bestowed; and every person who since August 1, 1914, has received, or in the future may receive from the Government of any foreign nation a medal, cross, ribbon, wreath or other insignia of honor for gallantry or meritorious services of any kind may retain and wear the same under the rules governing its display; and all acts or parts of acts contrary to the letter or the spirit of this provision are hereby repealed.

Sec. 6.—No person shall wear any medal, cross or other insignia or place after his name any initials emanating from this act to whom such honor has not been regularly awarded as herein provided, and any person violating this provision of law shall be liable to a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or imprisonment in a federal prison for a period not exceeding five hundred days.

Sec. 7.—All insignia to be bestowed by the United States under the terms of this act shall be manufactured by the United States Mint, subject to the approval of the honor commission.

Sec. 8.—For carrying into effect the provisions of this act there is hereby appropriated out of the moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, available until expended, the sum of \$5,000 for the necessary expenses of the honor commission and \$5,000 for the cost of work that may be done in the United States Mint.

Sec. 9.—This act shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval.

THE UNITED ELECTRIC LIGHT & POWER COMPANY

General Offices

130 East 15th Street

AN ORDER FROM
THE UNITED STATES FUEL ADMINISTRATOR

To Commercial Customers:

This Company has this date filed with the Public Service Commission for the First District the following rider affecting its schedule of rates which is now in full force and effect:

"Any and all rate schedules, contracts, service riders and regulations of this Company that may be affected by Order No. 137 of the United States Fuel Administrator, Washington, D. C., issued under date of November 13, 1917, to take effect November 15th, 1917, are hereby modified and amended so as to comply in all respects with said Order and as modified shall remain in effect until further notice."

This rider is intended to cover the requirements of Order No. 137, issued at Washington under date of November 13 by the United States Fuel Administration, being

"AN ORDER OF THE UNITED STATES FUEL ADMINISTRATOR REGULATING THE USE OF COAL FOR THE PURPOSE OF GENERATING ELECTRICITY FOR USE IN OPERATING ILLUMINATED ADVERTISEMENTS, NOTICES, SIGNS, ETC."

So that the customers of this Company may be informed in detail as to the requirements of this order, we beg to bring to your attention the fact that it is issued by the Fuel Administrator under authority of an executive order of the President of the United States, dated the 23d day of August, 1917, appointing said Administrator, and in furtherance of the purpose of said order and of the act of Congress therein referred to and approved August 10, 1917.

Until further or other order of the United States Fuel Administrator and subject to modification hereafter from time to time and at any time, the order requires and directs as follows:

1. Upon and after the fifteenth day of November, 1917, no corporation, association, partnership, or person engaged in whole or in part, in the business of furnishing electricity for illuminating or power purposes, and no corporation, association, partnership, or person maintaining a plant for the purpose of supplying for their own use electricity for illuminating or power purposes, shall use any coal for the purpose of generating, producing, or supplying electricity, or supply or use electricity generated or produced, in whole or in part, by the consumption of coal, for the purpose of providing, maintaining, lighting, or operating, before the hour of 7:45 P. M., or after the hour of 11 P. M., electrically illuminated or display advertisements, notices, announcements, signs, designation of the location of an office or place of business or of the nature of any business, electric searchlights, or (external) illumination or ornamentation of any building except in the interior of buildings, and except as in special cases hereinafter further or otherwise provided or limited, namely:

(a) This order shall not apply to the United States Government, the government of any Commonwealth or State of the United States, or to any city, county, town, or other governmental subdivision in any such Commonwealth or State;

(b) This order shall not apply to the maintenance of street lights by any city or town or within any city or town under a contract with the officials thereof for such maintenance, or to the maintenance of any lights for any purpose by, or in compliance with orders of, any public authorities;

(c) Electric signs affixed to the street fronts of buildings over the street entrances thereof or over the street entrances to stores, shops, or other places of business therein, or extending therefrom over the sidewalks, for the purpose of announcing the name or business of a retail shop or store, or the name and location of a theatre or other place of amusement or of a hall or other place of public assembly, together with the name of the play or other entertainment given therein, or of the purpose of any public assembly to be held therein, as the case may be, may be lighted or illuminated or operated by electricity, generated or produced by the use of coal, during the period from one-half hour after sunset until such time, not later than 11:00 o'clock in the evening at which time in the case of a place of business the same is closed for the conduct of business therein in the same manner and to the extent that such business is conducted therein during the day-time business hours, and in the case of places of amusement and public assembly hereinbefore referred to until one-half hour after the time fixed for the beginning of an entertainment or of the meeting or other public assembly, as the case may be: Provided that the size of any such sign and the amount of electricity needed to operate and illuminate the same shall be reduced at any time upon direction of the State Fuel Administrator of the State within which such sign is located;

(d) This order shall not apply to porch lights upon houses or hotels, or at the entrances to buildings occupied or open for ingress or egress during the night-time, or to lights upon private driveways, walks, or in the grounds, of any hotel, manufacturing establishment, or residence, or upon the platform of railroad stations, approaches thereto, or in railroad yards or grounds, or to lights to mark the location of fire escapes or exits, or to lights for any similar purposes when authorized by any State Fuel Administrator of the State within which such lights are located: Provided, however, that the number and power of any such lights, by this paragraph (d) permitted, shall be reduced at any time upon direction of the State Fuel Administrator of the State within which such buildings or grounds are located;

(e) Nothing herein shall be construed to extend the length of time, fixed by agreement or otherwise, between any person and a State Fuel Administrator, for which any such sign or illumination may be displayed or operated.

2. The State Fuel Administrators within the several States are hereby directed and authorized to see that the provisions of this order are observed and carried out within their Several States, to report violations thereof to the United States Fuel Administrator, and to recommend to the United States Fuel Administrator action to be taken by him with respect to the sale, shipment, distribution, and apportionment of coal to the corporations, associations, partnerships, or persons so found to be acting in violation of this order.

This Company desires to direct your careful attention to the above and to ask your observance of the order, concerning which a general announcement has already been made by the Company in the advertising columns of the public press.

Yours very truly,

THE UNITED ELECTRIC LIGHT & POWER COMPANY.

New York, November 15, 1917.

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The Question of War Decorations

William T. Hornaday of New York, celebrated as a zoölogist by profession, but just now concentrating his avocational tendencies on patriotic usefulness as Vice President of the Army League and Trustee of the American Defence Society, has undertaken a campaign to bring Congress and the country to a realizing sense of the importance of decorations for those who give the nation exceptional service in the world war.

Mr. Hornaday is characteristically vigorous in discussing a question in which there is too little public interest. Vigor is necessary to awaken that interest. Only so will the apathy of Congress be overcome. The issue should appeal to a patriotic people. The United States has no honor system for the recognition of heroism in war adequate for doing justice to those who perform signally heroic deeds or make noble sacrifices. For the highest valor on the field of battle Congress may confer the Medal of Honor instituted during the Civil War, and provision is made for a certificate of merit. These, too, are limited to the Army. The Navy and Marine Corps are entirely disregarded.

There is no provision for the conferring of our solitary war medal—corresponding to the British Victoria Cross and the French Médaille Militaire—with due promptness and graciousness. It must be voted by Congress, and that may not happen until years after the deed. We forbid the wearing by any of our officers of medals conferred by other Governments for exhibitions of American valor. "For sheer absurdity and rank injustice, can you beat that?" asks Mr. Hornaday.

It is proper to guard jealously the distribution of such trophies, but it does not follow that their bestowal should be by the slow and circuitous process of congressional action on every individual case. As to that, Congress is subject to influences which might result in the conferring of the medal where it would not have been earned to the mind of observers in the field. The Army Register discloses that some thirty-three officers on the active list possess the Congressional Medal of Honor. There are a few more among officers of the retired list, the service of many of these having embraced Indian wars and even the Civil War. If it be presumed that these are all that have truly been earned, considering our long period of peace, it is incredible that among these thousands of officers—to say nothing of the rank and file—there are not many who would be entitled to such lesser awards as the British Distinguished Service Order or one of the graded honors which French soldiers may win. If that were not so, we could only conclude that our Army is poor material.

The trouble is, of course, that our country has no decorations of any kind, and no machinery of awarding them. As

War Honors

There has been before Congress a bill to provide an understudy of the existing war honor medal, which is the only thing of its kind in our country. This is inadequate to the purpose. The oversight of the framer of it in entirely omitting all mention of the United States Navy and Marine Corps and saying nothing of the Red Cross service indicates that the charge of inadequacy is by no means groundless.

We are cheerfully calling up two millions of our finest young men to go forth and attack a brutal and dangerous foe. Deeds of bravery and gallantry of a hundred kinds are expected of those men. Beyond doubt, they will not be one whit behind the bravest and the most effective men of the British Empire, of France, Italy and Belgium—all of whom are rewarded by their governments with a thoroughness and promptness absolutely unknown in America, save through foreign telegrams. We know the Victoria Cross, the Cross of War, the D. S. O. and the Legion of Honor decorations only by hearsay.

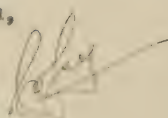
In the matter of providing honors to be awarded for gallant and distinguished services in this war it is time for this nation to get into step with the march of nations. Justice and a square deal to our army, navy and Red Cross service demand this. Congress and the public should unite for liberal and farreaching action.

Ireland's Awakening

HARROLD E. GILLINGHAM
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PHILADELPHIA

November 2, 1917.

Lieut. Col., William E. Horton,
Quartermaster General of the
United States Army,
War Department,
Washington, D. C.



Dear Sir:-

RE-CAMPAIGN MEDALS OF AWARD.

I understand the government is contemplating issuing Campaign Medals or Insignia to enlisted men of the service, for the present war and being an ardent numismatist and collector of such articles, I have been impressed of late with the plainness of such medals issued by the United States Government as compared with the medals issued by England, France, Italy and other Foreign Countries.

I would like to suggest to the authorities, who have this matter in charge, that before such a medal is finally decided upon, that they get in touch with some of our prominent Medalists and more especially with the American Numismatic Society of New York City, who would be only too glad to render all assistance possible to make such a new medal both artistic and commendable.

If I am not communicating with the proper department, I would appreciate your advising me and I will continue the subject further, if necessary.

Trusting you will pardon me for taking up your time in this matter, I am

Very cordially yours,

(Copy)

War Department.
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army,
Washington.

No. 421.7-114 CE (Genl)
From Quartermaster General.
To Mr. Harrold E. Gillingham, 425 Walnut Street, Philada.
Subject. Campaign Medal for Present War.

1. This Office is in receipt of your letter of the 2nd instant asking certain questions to aid the Department in deciding medals or Badges to be awarded by the War Department to the United States forces.

2. In reply, you are informed that, in so far as known to this office, the adoption of a Campaign Medal for the present war, is not under consideration at this time.

3. Such medals are awarded only for military service actually performed.

Henry G. Sharpe,
Quartermaster General.

(Signed) by William E. Horton,
Lieut. Col. C. H. C.

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423 WALNUT STREET
PHILADELPHIA

November 8, 1917.

Edward T. Newell, Esq.,
President, American Numismatic Society,
Broadway & 156th Street,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Newell:-

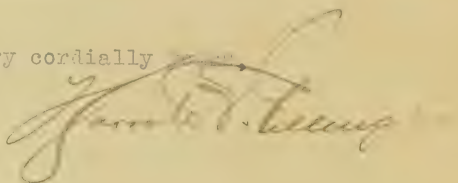
RE-U. S. A. CAMPAIGN MEDALS FOR PRESENT WAR.

I have taken the liberty of writing letters to the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps Departments. Copies of which I enclose you, together with the answer received from the Army and Marine Corps Departments, which I thought might be of interest for your files.

Unfortunately the Army Department give very little encouragement, but you will note that Col. McLemore of the Marine Corp gives us more encouragement, and I hope I have not been too strong in my statement that the American Numismatic Society would render all possible assistance.

With kind regards, I am
sinc.

Very cordially yours,



New York Zoological Park

UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF THE

NEW YORK ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY,

185th St. & Southern Boulevard

WILLIAM T. HORNADAY, Sc. D.,
DIRECTOR

New York, November 14, 1917 191

Mr. E. T. Newell, President,
The American Numismatic Society,
156th Street & Broadway,
New York City.

Dear Sir:

Because of the fact that no one else seemed to be attending to the matter, I felt compelled to take upon myself the burden of making a campaign in Congress for the passage of a bill to provide adequately for war honors for American soldiers, sailors, marines and members of the Red Cross service. I began my campaign last summer, before Congress adjourned, and Representative Murray Hulbert of New York introduced my bill.

I write you for the purpose of inviting the American Numismatic Society to enter actively into this campaign, and support my bill for the creation of an honor commission that will place the whole enterprise on a broad and solid foundation. I know of no organization which could so understandingly or so effectively promote this cause as your Society, and I earnestly hope that you and your colleagues will be willing to take up a share of this burden.

From my long years of work with Congress in securing legislation for the protection of wild life, I have been led to believe myself competent to plan and to handle this matter; otherwise I would not have undertaken it. It seems to me like a very simple proposition, and several important newspapers have heartily endorsed it.

In brief, my bill provides for the creation of an honor commission, which shall have the power to consider the whole subject, take testimony, obtain information, opinions and advice from all sources worth considering, then formulate a plan which, when approved and promulgated by the President, will have full warranty of law. I am firmly convinced that it would be not only useless, but utterly needless, to attempt to influence Congress into an effort to take testimony and settle all the details of such an enterprise as this in one congressional bill.

The bill which passed the Senate last year and is now before the house, may be cited as a fair example of what Congress is likely to do in such matters if the details are left with that body. The bill referred to provides in a most limp and inadequate way for a sort of understudy to the existing honor medal of the army, in the shape of a "Distinguished Service" medal, available only to officers and men of the army. It provides nothing whatever for the navy, marine corps or the Red Cross service.

November 14, 1917

When I called Secretary Daniels' attention to the omission of the whole naval service, he immediately sent a letter of protest to the House Committee on Military Affairs. The proper remedy is to have the bill referred back to the Military Affairs Committee, and the Halbert bill substituted for it.

Thus far I have been financing this campaign myself; but I cannot afford to continue to the end on that basis. The contributions to war causes which I have made, and must make in the future, render it impossible for me to provide the \$250 or \$300 that shortly will be necessary to pay the very modest expenses of this campaign. To cover the cost of printing, postage and necessary expenses in traveling to Washington to work for the bill, I need a fund of about \$300; and I must find some organization or person who feels sufficient interest in the subject to furnish the sinews of war.

I beg you to bring this whole matter before your Society and ask that this letter be considered as a formal request for cooperation, and also for financial assistance with the campaign.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. Hornaday

71 BROADWAY
NEW YORK.

November 16, 1917

Mr. Sydney P. Noe, Secretary
The American Numismatic Society
156th Street & Broadway
New York City

Dear Mr. Noe:


I thank you very much for the clipping from the Minneapolis "Tribune", that you kindly enclosed in your letter of November 15th.

I received a letter from Dr. William T. Hornaday expressing great pleasure and satisfaction resulting from his visit to our Society's home. It appears that he is especially interested in obtaining, if possible, an act of Congress that will lead to the formation of a board that will be empowered to establish various orders of decoration for our soldiers during the present war, and so regulated in their issue that they can be awarded a few hours after some heroic act, and in the presence of the associates of the hero who had personal knowledge of the act that justified the award, instead of waiting as we do now in this country for ten or even twenty years to make awards, when the effect is practically nihil and the sentimental value with its influences is virtually lost.

I understand that you have received a copy of the printed statement issued by him, and it seems to me that our Society should do all it can to promote his plan.

E D A to S P N November 16, 1917 p 2

Sincerely yours



New York Zoological Park

UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF THE

NEW YORK ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY,

185th St. & Southern Boulevard

WILLIAM T. HORNADAY, Sc. D.,
DIRECTOR

New York, November 16, 1917 191

Mr. E. T. Newell, President,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway & 156th Street,
New York City.

Dear Sir:

I am greatly encouraged by your letter of yesterday, and hope that your Society will conclude to champion the cause of war honors for our army, navy and Red Cross service.

I am just now in receipt of several copies of the bill introduced by Representative Hulbert, and lose no time in sending one to you.

Faithfully yours,

W. T. Hornaday

encl.

Material Wanted for the Campaign.

All ten of the British war honors, (except service medals), in one group, numbered consecutively, to make an 8 x 10 plate.

All of the French war honors, same arrangement.

All of the American war medals except service medals. Same arrangement in 5 x 7 photograph.

If these could be reproduced in colors, "for the information of Congress," they would go far toward securing the success of our bill.

The basic idea is (1) to show what these insignia look like and how beautiful they are, and (2) to show how poorly provided we are in regards for brave services, in comparison with England and France.

Colored plates will cost about \$40 per thousand.

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No Decorations, Titles, Orders or Other Flummery for American Fighters

When They Come Home They Will Be Decorated In the
American Way.

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The President and Mr. Baker and Mr. Daniels are to be congratulated upon their decision that our fighters in Europe must not violate the old American rule against special decorations, titles or other special rewards.

This country appreciates the spirit that prompts the offering of such special favors to fighting Americans.

Each European nation has its honors that a man may wear on his coat to show that he is a little better than some other man.

Napoleon invented the Legion of Honor—and every Frenchman wearing it is worthy of honor—for it is the French Republic and not Napoleon that now honors him.

The English King invented the Order of the Garter, kept for a few. The English Government gives to its courageous fighters and useful citizens other decorations—all worthy of honor in England.

But these things, admirable as they are in the right place, are not meant for the American soldier or sailor sent abroad to fight.

He goes abroad to fight for the abstract idea of democracy, to fight for THIS country, which was forced into war, to protect and avenge the helpless in Belgium.

He wants no special reward of any kind, until he gets back HERE, the land for which he is fighting three thousand miles away from it.

When they come HOME, our soldiers and sailors will be rewarded in the right way.

To some Congress will give special votes of thanks, with the honor that goes with national recognition.

Others will be honored in various ways.

But the real honor that the American soldier and sailor wants, and that he will have, will not be PUBLIC.

The right kind of American young man will come home, and his mother will say to him, with her arms around his neck: "I have read about you, and I am proud of you, and your father is proud of you."

That is the kind of decoration for which the Americans will fight—the decoration that they can get only at home—and the only decoration that nine hundred and ninety-nine out of a thousand want, or think about, as they go across the ocean and prepare to do their fighting on the other side.

C C P Y

THE COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS.
Established By Congress May 17 1910
1729 New York Avenue
Washington, D.C.

November 21, 1917.

Dear Mr. Moore:

I notice by this morning's paper that there is to be a bill introduced in Congress for honor medals for our soldiers. It seems to me our boys should have a chance to win and wear badges of honor, and good ones too.

Would it not be worth while to attempt to have the bill so amended that the Commission would have a hand in the selection of the designs? It is easy to see what the result will be artistically if the Committee suggested in the bill has charge of that.

Naturally, I am pleased that the President of the National Academy of Design should be suggested as one of its members, but when I remember our experience with the Mint and the Treasury Department with the coins, I am afraid that he alone could not stem the tide of tradition.

If they would turn the Commission loose on the job of getting the designs, and give it the power of selection, I feel sure we are in a position to secure the enthusiasm and co-operation of the artists of the country.

Yours faithfully,
(signed) Herbert Adams

C O P Y

THE COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS

1729 New York Avenue,

Washington, D. C.

Washington, D. C.

November 23, 1917.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing a copy of the letter written to Honorable Murray Hulbert in regard to his war medals bill prepared by you.

I enclose also a copy of a letter received from Mr. Herbert Adams, the President of the National Academy of Design and also a member of the Commission of Fine Arts, on this subject.

Very respectfully, yours,

(signed) Charles Moore

Chairman

William T. Hornaday, Esq.,

Vice President of the U. S. Army League,

Hibbs Building,

Washington, D. C.

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C O P Y

THE COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS

1729 New York Avenue,

Washington, D.C.

November 23, 1917.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Herbert Adams, President of the National Academy of Design, suggests that in your bill authorizing the preparation of war medale the designs be made subject to the approval of the Commission of Fine Arts, a body created by Congress for such purposes as contemplated by your bill. The designs for the new silver coinage were submitted to the Commission, and the new coinage are believed to represent a decided advance in that art.

Very respectfully yours,

(Signed) Charles Moore

Chairman.

Honorable Murray Hulbert,

House of Representatives,

Washington, D. C.

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November 26th, 1917.

Dr. William T. Hornaday,
Zoological Gardens,
Bronx Park,
New York.

Dear Dr. Hornaday:-

If you could let me have at least two copies of the circular, which you left with us when you called here, I could use them to good advantage I think.

Yours very truly,

Secretary.

TELEPHONE 499 PLATBOEN X

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GEORGE W. BRUSH, M. D.

462 OCEAN AVENUE

73d St. LEWIS AVENUE

OFFICE HOURS BY APPOINTMENT

BROOKLYN, N.Y. Nov. 28,

1917

Dr. William T. Murray M. D.

If we need other marks of distinction of a lower grade to stimulate acts of bravery, let us do what we can to get the necessary legislation and if I can do anything to aid in this work, you may command me.

If any of our men hold decorations won abroad I am heartily in favor of amending the present law so that they can have the privilege of wearing them.

Very sincerely yours,

George W. Brush

W. T. M.

November 26, 1917.

Hon. Josephus Daniels,
Secretary of the Navy,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:-

MEDALS FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE.

I see by an article in the Philadelphia Record that the Navy Department contemplates issuing Medals for Distinguished Service in the United States Naval Service, and I would like to bring to your attention this matter and ask that before these medals are decided upon, that your department get in touch with the American Numismatic Society of New York, whose only interest in such work is that the United States coins and medals should be made artistic.

The officers of the American Numismatic Society will be only too glad to render all assistance possible and suggest artists, so that the coins and medals issued by this Government may be more artistic than those issued in the past.

Trusting you will understand the spirit of this letter, I am

Very truly, yours,

XXXXXXX
Bedford 3546

XXXXXXXXXXXXX
736 St. Marks Avenue

Nov. 26,

Dr. William T. Hornaday,
Vice Pres. Army & Navy League,
2186 Loring Pl.,
Bronx, N. Y.

My dear Sir:

My reason for writing to you calls for an explanation as to who I am. I introduce myself therefore as a former Captain in the U. S. Vols; the holder of a Congressional Medal of Honor and my name carried on the Honor Roll of the War Department. I am a Past Commander of the U. S. Army and Navy Medal of Honor Legion and Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Military Order of the Medal of Honor. Coming down to more recent date, I have the honor to be a life member and director of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences. From this long introduction you will see why I am very much interested in any legislation on the subject of military decorations for our boys.

My reason for writing to you is the reading of an editorial in the New York Times of Wednesday, November 21st, in which you appear as having prepared a bill for war honors commission. May I trouble you to send me in the enclosed stamped envelope a copy of this bill which I understand Congressman Hurlburt has introduced? In this editorial of Wednesday I find much made of the Victoria Cross and the distinguished service order of the British Army. To my amazement not one word is said about the Congressional Medal of Honor of our army and navy, the hardest medal to win in the whole world.

It does not seem possible that the editor of such an influential paper as the New York Times can be ignorant of the existence of this medal and the rigid rules governing its award. (See War Department Order, Washington, June 12, 1897; also Annual Report of the Chief of the Record and Pension Office, 1901. "Subject, Medal of Honor.")

Much has been said about the Victoria Cross and how the English lift their hats to honor the holders of this mark of distinction, but we seldom hear anything about our honor medal which ranks highest over anything else, but is hardest to obtain; perhaps its holders have been too modest in not exploiting it more.

Be that as it may, our boys ought to be thoroughly familiarized with it and the rules governing its award.

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS
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ONE MADISON AVENUE
NEW YORK CITY

HARROLD E. GILLINGHAM
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423 WALNUT STREET
PHILADELPHIA

November 27, 1917.

American Numismatic Society,
Broadway & 156th Street,
New York City.

Gentlemen:-

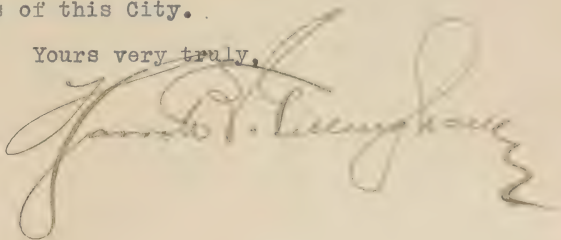
I acknowledge the letter of November 26th,
from Secretary Noe regarding his communication with
Mr. Saltus and the medals of the U. S. Government.

If I can be of any service to Mr. Saltus,
in this line, please advise him that I would be very
glad to do what I can, even to the point of going to
Washington with him; and I of course would not expect
him to pay my expenses.

I enclose two other clippings on this subject,
taken from newspapers of this City.

Yours very truly,

enc.

A large, stylized handwritten signature in dark ink, which appears to read "Harrold E. Gillingham". The signature is written over the "Yours very truly," and extends downwards and to the right.

November 28th, 1917.

Mr. Harrold E. Gillingham,
423 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Gillingham:-

Thank you for the clippings which came in to-day's mail, as well as the one we received yesterday. We are very glad to have some one looking out for the items in the Philadelphia papers for us.

I am enclosing a copy of the circular which Dr. Hornaday is issuing. We are very much afraid Mr. Saltus will not return here in time to be of service on the suggested Committee. Thank you very much for your offer to serve on the Committee. We already considered asking you to do this, and there is a strong probability that such a Committee may be necessary. Either Mr. Newell or myself will write you after the first of the month when matters will probably be in a more definite shape.

With cordial regards, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

Secretary.

November 28, 1917

Charles Moore, Esq., Chairman,
The Commission of Fine Arts,
1729 New York Avenue,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I thank you very much for sending me a copy of your letter to Hon. Murray Hulbert, and also Mr. Herbert Adams' letter to you. This gives me an opportunity to state my reasons for drafting the bill as it now appears.

During a long series of experiences in the procuring of legislation through Congress, I have endeavored to make a careful study of the views of that body, and especially the chairmen of committees. I have found that in matters which affected only one department, Congress sometimes will empower the officials of that department to formulate regulations that take on the effect of statute law. I have particularly in mind the regulations for the enforcement of the migratory bird law as framed and promulgated by the Secretary of Agriculture. Those undertakings do not in any way affect any other executive department, and therefore the sailing is quite plain.

It seemed to me fairly to be out of the question to rely upon Congress to settle the whole business of war honors and their method of award in one bill endeavoring to cover all details. The ramifications of the subject are too numerous, and the chances of amendments that would be deadly would be altogether too great. It seemed imperative to place the matter in the hands of a commission with power to act.

In reviewing the situation it was perfectly clear that a war honor measure would affect three of the great executive departments, War, Navy and State, - and that to ignore the heads of those departments in the settlement of the matter and the laying of the foundation, would be most unwise. For this reason it seemed imperative that the Secretaries of War, Navy and State should be brought in as commissioners, with full powers. This disarms what otherwise would be a world of suspicion and objection, because it opens up the whole subject to every officer in the army and navy who might desire to be heard.

On the other hand, it did not seem to me practicable to bring in the Commission of Fine Arts as a body, and it also seemed to me desirable that there should be brought in the civilian organization of the United States which represents the last word on all questions relating to art. Having three commissioners from the executive branch of the government, all those with whom I savined thought it would be best to bring in the National Academy of Design through the President of that body, which was done.

November 28, 1917

Now, inasmuch as Mr. Herbert Adams is a member of the Commission of Fine Arts, he has abundant opportunity to represent all the views of that Commission, and I regard it as a fortunate circumstance that one individual would really represent both of those arbiters of questions relating to fine arts.

Already one Senator has criticized the commission as named in the Mulbert bill on the ground that it is "too large", and he thought that two of the persons provided for should be dropped. For what I consider to be good reasons, I am firm for their retention.

So far as the leading newspapers of the country have been heard from, they are united in expressing the belief that Congress should act immediately on the matter of providing war honors and insignia that will bring this nation abreast of the practice of the most advanced nations of our allies. The question is, are the American people sufficiently wide awake and sufficiently enterprising to induce Congress to put this matter through promptly and in a business-like manner. Naturally I am afraid of a multitude of diverse opinions and proposals, and I am prepared to ~~back~~ ask all parties interested to join on one plain, straightforward platform which surely promises, first of all, a full consideration of the subject from all points, the hearing of all opinions, and finally quick action.

To this end I now bespeak the support of the Commission of Fine Arts.

Faithfully yours,

encl.

November 28, 1918

Dr. George W. Brush,
736 St. Mark's Avenue,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Brush:

I am very glad to hear from you, and to know that you are keenly interested in the pending legislation relating to war honors for the army and navy. Appreciating all the circumstances as you do, your help will be very valuable.

First let me express the belief that among the editors of the great newspapers of New York the existence of the Congressional medal of honor is as well known as the Washington Monument. Of course, however, the whole subject cannot be covered in an editorial, and the editors are unable to devote more space to the subject than what is barely sufficient to set forth the need for more medals and honors, and quick methods in their bestowal. Even as a civilian I have known for many years of the Congressional medal of honor, but I must say that it has seemed to me that its method of award was very cumbersome and unsatisfactory, and I think so still. What is your view on this point?

I think that if a medal is awarded at all for gallant services, it should be awarded promptly upon the rendering of that service, and with some degree of enthusiasm, the way the French do it. We can learn many lessons from the French in the awarding of war honors. The medals and process that they have are certainly worth 10,000 men to their army.

I am not greatly concerned about the respective standing of medals that are awarded for bravery. To me any medal or cross that is awarded for bravery in perilous action is a great thing, and I am sure that any soldier or sailor or, for that matter, any civilian in the hospital service who receives one will prize it as much as if it were the highest. Our military and naval forces now have grown so huge that we must take this whole business more seriously, and try to get it in line with the practice of modern nations.

As you will see, the Hulbert bill (which is shown in full on page 4 of the enclosed circular), proposes the creation of an honor commission which, in its composition, will be above suspicion; and before that commission any person interested in medals could go and make known his views while the investigation work is being conducted. I think it would be a mistake to try to have the whole matter dettled, details and all, in one congressional bill, because the result would surely be unsatisfactory to a great many people. A matter so big cannot be handled in that way in a body containing over 500 men from all parts of the United States, many of whom never have given a thought to war medals.

Faithfully yours,

encl.

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In reply refer to No.

NAVY DEPARTMENT

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BUREAU OF NAVIGATION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

November 30, 1917.

Harrold E. Gillingham,
423 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of November 26th to the Secretary of the Navy relative to the design of medals for distinguished service has been referred to this Bureau for answer.

The law authorizing these medals has not yet been passed by Congress. Until this is done, nothing will be begun by the Department relative to this matter.

The design of this medal will probably require the joint approval of the Navy and the War Departments.

If this law is passed I suggest that you then submit your proposition to both the Navy and the War Departments.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Jno. J. Bunn,

Captain, U. S. N.
Acting Chief of Bureau.

December , 1917

Hon.
House of Representatives.

Dear Sir:

The demand of the press and the public for an adequate system of war honors for Americans now is becoming imperative. Nothing less than a system which places this nation abreast of the best practice among our Allies will be acceptable. Great Britain has awards ten months and crests for gallant services in war, and to cover all classes of cases, and all branches of service, they are all in demand.

In rewarding military and naval heroism, we are twenty-five years behind the times. Quick and correct action is necessary.

Of the six bills and resolutions now before Congress there is only one which even attempts to handle the whole subject in a broad way, and provide an adequate foundation. That is the Murray Hulbert bill, H. R. 8447, now before the House Committee on Military Affairs.

The Lodge bill, also before the House, is all right, and it should quickly be passed; for it enables our American soldiers to accept foreign decorations. That one thing is all that the Lodge bill attempts to do.

We bespeak your active cooperation in our effort to secure the passage of a bill that will deal with this whole subject in a broad, business-like and appreciative manner. This matter should not be dealt with piecemeal. No one Congressional bill ever can be made to do what an intelligent Honor Commission can do, as provided by the Hulbert bill. We ask you to help pass the Hulbert bill, and thus secure broad results, in quick time.

Yours very truly,

*N.B. It will be desirable
to make each letter an
independent composition.
It is a common thing for
have a dozen members of a
Committee to refer all such
letters as this to the Chairman.
M.H.*

Letters need to be written to the following about the Hulbert bill.

Hon. Russell McCormack, House of Representatives. (About to introduce another bill.)

Hon. S. Robert Dent, Chairman, House Comm. on Military Affairs.

"	William J. Fields, Member	"	"	"	"	"	
"	Percy E. Quinn,	"	"	"	"	"	
"	William Gordon,	"	"	"	"	"	
"	Ashton C. Shallenberger,	"	"	"	"	"	
"	Charles Pope Caldwell,	"	"	"	"	"	(From New York)
"	James W. Wise,	"	"	"	"	"	
"	Samuel J. Nicholls,	"	"	"	"	"	
"	Thos. W. Harrison,	"	"	"	"	"	
"	Daniel E. Garrett,	"	"	"	"	"	
"	George R. Lunn,	"	"	"	"	"	(Socialist, Schenectady)

Republicans.

"	Julius Kahn, Member House Comm. on Military Affairs.	
"	Daniel R. Anthony, Jr.	(Friendly and interested)
"	John C. Mackenzie,	
"	Frank L. Greene,	
"	John M. Morin,	(Of Penna.)
"	John Q. Tilson,	
"	Thomas S. Crago,	(Penna. Friendly, interested.)
"	Harry E. Hull,	

Speaker Champ Clark, House of Representatives.

Miscellaneous.

Hon. Robert Lansing, Secretary of State.

" Newton D. Baker, Secretary of War

" Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy

" J. Charles Linthicum, House of Rep. (Has introduced a resolution like the Lodge bill.)

Senator Robert L. Owen of Oklahoma. Has introduced in the Senate a bill for an American Legion of Honor, of 200 persons. Not in the least likely to be passed; but when our bill is introduced in the Senate (by Senator Hitchcock!) in a few days, then it will be well to write Senator Owen, Senator Geo. E. Chamberlain, Senator Henry Cabot Lodge and others.

Newspapers that have editorially endorsed
the plan for war honors.

Providence Journal.
New York Times.
" " Tribune
" " Sun
" " World,
Waterbury (Conn.) Republican
Minneapolis Journal.
Seattle Post-Intelligencer.
Houston (Texas) Post.
Denver News.
Chicago News.
Buffalo News.
Scientific American.

Organizations supporting the
Hulbert Bill.

American Numismatic Society.
American Defense Society.

HARROLD E. GILLINGHAM
INSURANCE
423 WALNUT STREET
PHILADELPHIA

December 4, 1917.

American Numismatic Society,
Broadway & 156th Street,
New York City.

Gentlemen:-

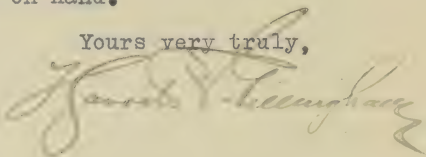
RE-U. S. WAR DECORATIONS.

I enclose herewith a copy of a letter,
which I sent November 26th, to Secretary
Daniels of the Navy, and a copy of their
reply to my letter, which may be of interest
for your files.

I hope to see you Thursday night and
trust some of the other members of our
committee will be on hand.

Yours very truly,

2 enc.



HARROLD E. GILLINGHAM
432 WEST PRICE ST.
GERMANTOWN, PHILADELPHIA

From Philadelphia
"Public Ledger"

Dec. 5 - 1917

PLANS LEGION OF HONOR

Senate Resolution Would Permit Bestowal of Decorations for Valor

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—A joint resolution to establish an American Legion of Honor, and to permit American soldiers to receive decorations for gallant service from foreign nations was introduced today by Senator Owen.

The legion would consist of 250 members for the President with confirmation by the Senate, who had performed distinctive war service in connection with military operations or otherwise. It provides for ribbons or other decorations to be selected by the President and for a cross of valor.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

DECEMBER 7, 1917.

Mr. OWEN introduced the following joint resolution; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

JOINT RESOLUTION

Authorizing the creation of an American Legion of Honor, and
for other purposes.

1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That there is hereby created an order to be known as The
4 American Legion of Honor, membership in which shall be
5 conferred by the President, by and with the advice and
6 consent of the Senate, as a reward for very distinguished
7 services rendered to the people of the United States. The
8 grant of membership shall be evidenced by a suitable parch-
9 ment describing the character of services rendered, and a
10 ribbon and decoration to be devised under the instruction
11 of the President. The living membership of the order shall
12 at no time exceed two hundred persons.

13 The President is further authorized to grant decorations
14 for conspicuous courage and patriotic service in the military,

1 naval, or other services of the United States, to be known
2 as the Cross of Valor.

3 The President is also authorized to issue a decoration
4 for meritorious service rendered to the people of the United
5 States.

6 Officers, employees, and citizens of the United States
7 are authorized to receive war decorations tendered them by
8 any of the nations now engaged in war with the present
9 Government of Germany.

10 The Secretary of State shall keep on suitable rolls of
11 honor the names of those to whom decorations have been
12 granted under this Act.

65TH CONGRESS, }
2D SESSION. } S. J. RES. 112.

JOINT RESOLUTION

Authorizing the creation of an American
Legion of Honor, and for other purposes.

By Mr. OWEN.

DECEMBER 7, 1917.—Read twice and referred to the
Committee on Military Affairs.

December 8, 1917

Hon. Medill McCormick,
2346 Massachusetts Avenue,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

With great interest I have noted the fact that you are keenly interested in the subject of war honors for American soldiers and sailors. This prompts me to call your attention to the campaign that was started here during your absence in France, and which culminated in the introduction of the Hulbert bill on Oct. 4 for the creation of a war honor commission.

My object in writing you is to bespeak your attention for that measure, and if you approve it, your support of it. My supply of Congressional copies has been exhausted, but I enclose a circular which contains on the fourth page a reprint of the full and exact text of the bill.

Mr. Hulbert's bill was drawn most carefully for the purpose of providing the very broad foundation that is necessary in making adequate provision for the various classes of individuals who now are serving the United States government in connection with the present war.

An attempt to draft a comprehensive plan into one Congressional bill was a failure, though I hasten to add that this attempt was not made by Mr. Hulbert. The points to be considered are so very numerous, and the details to be provided for are also so numerous, it seems like an impossibility to make any Congressional bill cover the whole ground. Moreover, it is my opinion that to interject into Congress a bill covering this complex subject in detail would involve discussions and amendments that would be practically endless, and very likely to end in results far removed from the wishes of the sponsor in the case.

A great many persons who have carefully examined the Hulbert bill now believe that by the provision of an honor commission, composed chiefly of the high government officers who are most closely connected with the conduct of the war, the whole subject could be thrashed out intelligently and comprehensively in quick time, and finally placed on a legal basis.

The Hulbert bill has received the editorial endorsement of and strong support of a number of the leading newspapers of our country, representing New York, New England, Minneapolis, Denver, Seattle and Houston, Texas. The bill has also been formally endorsed and espoused by the American Humanistic Society and the American Defense Society.

December 8, 1918

I am strongly of the opinion that the bill that came over from the Senate and now is on the Union Calendar as No. 56, providing for a distinguished service medal as a sort of understudy to the existing Congressional medal of honor should be withdrawn, because it is so very inadequate for the purpose now to be served, and I think that the Hulbert bill should be substituted for it. I imagine that when this very important subject comes up in Congress for consideration, no one will wish to see it disposed of on a one-quarter adequate basis, or on any other basis save one which shall be fully equal to the practice of Great Britain and France. I am quite familiar with the policy now being pursued by Great Britain, and it is this knowledge which makes me feel like urging a comprehensive basis.

Faithfully yours,

encl.

C O P Y

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
Committee on Military Affairs.
Washington, D. C.

December 8 , 1917.

Mr. W. T. Hornaday,
185th St. & Southern Boulevard,
New York City.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter,
relative to the bill, H. R. 6447, introduced by Representative
Halbert, which I shall file with the papers on this bill.

It is the intention of the committee to first take
up the Army Appropriation bill before going into other
matters, unless something urgent should develop.

Yours very truly,

(signed) S. H. Dent, Jr.

December 10th, 1917.

Dr. William T. Hornaday,
Zoological Gardens,
New York.

Dear Dr. Hornaday:-

Your letter came this morning, and I fear there must have been some misunderstanding. You made no mention of an enclosure of the reprint from the Scientific American, and your note suggesting that we make each letter a separate composition provided more of a task in writing to five hundred Congressman than we felt willing to shoulder.

At a meeting of the staff this afternoon, the enclosed letter was drafted as a substitute. We are hoping you will feel it has some advantages over the draft you submitted. May I ask that you call me or Mr. Roe to-morrow morning directly after nine o'clock letting me have your views in the matter, as we must place the letter in the hands of a firm for duplication to-morrow if we expect to get it out on Friday..

Yours respectfully,

President.



THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
BROADWAY, BETWEEN 155TH AND 156TH STREETS
NEW YORK

December 10th, 1917.

Hon. Jacob Smith,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Smith:-

You doubtless know of the several bills now before Congress attempting to provide for our men "valor medals", which will compare favorably with those being awarded by our Allies, especially France and England. As typical of the better class of the articles relating to this prospective legislation, a reprint from the current issue of the Scientific American is enclosed.

Prompt
The American Numismatic Society, because it is almost the only museum which has been actively collecting and studying war medals and decorations of all countries and particularly of our own, is in hearty sympathy with any movement which will result in placing honor awards to our soldiers, sailors and marines on a more adequate basis than the present one. ~~under conditions comparable to those obtaining in other nations.~~

May we ask your attention to the Hulbert Bill, H.R. 6447, now before the House Committee on Military Affairs which we believe most nearly meets the needs of the hour. It endeavors to handle the subject in a broad way, and to make provisions which will be adequate. It has the further virtue of taking immediate effect. This Society stands ready to provide any information in its power whether before a Committee or elsewhere, and is willing to send to Washington for exhibition such decorations as it may own, if suitable provision for showing them can be assured.

If you are convinced that the Hulbert Bill is what we believe, may we bespeak ~~for~~ your interest and active co-operation in securing the passage of this bill?

Yours respectfully,

On behalf of The American Numismatic Society

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C O P Y

UNITED STATES SENATE.
Committee on Military Affairs.

Washington, D. C.

December 10, 1917

Dr. William T. Hornaday,
Director, New York Zoological Park.
185th Street and Southern Blvd.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Hornaday:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of the 5th instant, having reference to House bill 6447, a bill to provide and award honor medals and other tokens for valor and for distinguished services to the United States. I note your statements in regard to this subject, and in reply to your request to be advised whenever any hearings are to be held on this or similar bills, permit me to say that I will endeavor to advise you if we should decide to hold such hearings; but I would suggest that when you know that House bill 6447 or a similar bill has reached the Senate, you write me again and repeat your request so that it may not be lost sight of.

With kind personal regards, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

(signed) Geo. E. Chamberlain.

C O P Y

Monday Noon.

December 10, 1917.

Memorandum:-

This bill of Owens (S.J. Res. 112) brings this whole subject directly up in Senate Committee, and it will be amended with the pressure of the other bills all brought to bear:- being now up in Committee, it is unnecessary to introduce H. R. 6447 as a new Senate Bill, since it would have to be amended very much before Senator H., or other friends of the measure, would adopt it. But in this shape, Senator Chamberlain, who is very friendly to the object in view, will make good use of the Hulbert bill (H.R. 6447) when the Owens bill comes up and is amended, as it will be.

Tell Mr. Newell to get into immediate touch with Senator Chamberlain- have a date for a hearing, and then show up. The same procedure with Chmn. Dent of the House Com. Military Affairs.

Will get the extra copies of H. R. 6447, and other bills. etc., and send to Newell and yourself.

Elliott.

New York Zoological Park

UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF THE

NEW YORK ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY,

185th St. & Southern Boulevard

WILLIAM T. HORNADAY Sc. D.,
DIRECTOR

New York, December 11, 1917 191

Mr. Edward T. Newell, President,
American Numismatic Society,
156th St. and Broadway,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Newell:

I have just received the following memorandum from my assistant in Washington, Mr. Henry W. Elliott.

For the moment I am puzzled by Mr. Elliott's remark that our bill will need to be amended very much before Senator H. or other friends of the measure would adopt it. I am not going to accept that status at all! I am determined that our bill shall be introduced in the Senate; and if Senator Hitchcock does not want to introduce it, I will find some one else who will. I do not propose to have it waived aside by anybody. If they want to amend it after it is introduced, that is their affair; but I am going to look immediately for some one else to introduce it just as it is. The point of the matter is that our bill is right, and none of the others are right; and that kind of fighting ground is plenty good enough for me.

I would attend to this matter today, but I must hurry downtown to keep an important engagement. I think I will have to go down to Washington on Thursday night to see several senators and try to get the situation in shape.

I enclose a copy of Senator Owens' joint resolution, which is just as inadequate as any of the rest of them.

Very truly yours,

W. T. Hornaday

encl.

For enclosure to Mr. E. T. Newell.

December 11, 1917

Hon. E. Hubert Dent, Chairman,
Committee on Military Affairs,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In the name of all the men of the United States army, navy and marine corps, I beg of you and your committee not to lay aside the question of military honors until after the army appropriation bill has been prepared and introduced. That would indeed be a calamity.

The subject is now being agitated, various bills are being introduced, and the situation at the front is intolerable. If you can find five members of your Committee who would be willing to consider the bills now before the House, and give a hearing, I am sure that the whole matter could be wrought out to a successful conclusion without hindering the preparation of the army appropriation bill by so much as one hour.

If your Committee will give a hearing at an early date, I will promise you that the whole subject shall be presented to it in a well digested, business-like and lucid form, and there will be no long-winded discourses to waste the time of the Committee. I assure you that the subject is already well in hand.

Hoping that in view of the very unsatisfactory situation at the front, and of the expectation of the public that Congress is going to do something about war honors at an early date, I again beg you to treat this as an emergency matter.

Yours very truly,

New York Zoological Park

UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF THE

NEW YORK ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY,

185th St. & Southern Boulevard

WILLIAM T. HORNADAY SC. D.,
DIRECTOR

New York, December 12, 1917 191

Mr. Edward T. Newell, President,
American Numismatic Society,
156th St. and Broadway,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Newell:

Yesterday I received a very disquieting note from my representative in Washington, Mr. Elliott, of which I mailed you a copy for your information. The enclosed copy of letter to Senator Hitchcock which I have just mailed to him, will tell you what I think of the question raised by Senator Hitchcock's attitude, as reported to us. As you see, I have endeavored to place the whole matter fully and fairly before Senator Hitchcock, so that he can judge the situation with full knowledge, and then I have asked him politely but firmly to introduce the Hulbert bill and act as its champion in the Senate. I have also advised him that if he will not do so we will find some one else who will.

I am very certain that Senator Knute Nelson would accept the task if asked, as we have asked Senator Hitchcock. Senator Nelson stands ^{so} high with the President that although he is a Republican, the President has just asked the Democrats of Minnesota to join in returning him to the Senate as a supporter of the administration in the war. Senator Nelson is, as you know, a very strong man and highly respected by everybody, both in the Senate and out of it. I have known him quite well for thirty years, and our relations have always been of the best. He has championed several causes of mine in Congress, and he was one of the ablest supporters of the cause of the fur seal six year ago.

In view of the delay that is ensuing about the introduction of the Hulbert bill in the Senate, I withdraw my suggestion to delay the sending of your letter to members of the Senate and urge that it be despatched, just as you had planned to do when sending it to the members of the House. It will serve a good purpose in staking ^{out} our claims in the Senate.

I have not yet received the copies of the new Congressional Directory, but the membership of the House and Senate is the same, except for deceased members. Senator Harry Lane of Oregon is no longer living, but I do not remember the name of his successor.

Yours very sincerely,

encl.

December 12, 1917

Hon. Gilbert M. Hitchcock,
United States Senate.

Dear Senator Hitchcock:

Judging from fourteen editorials from leading American newspapers, representing nearly all sections of our country, it is a fact that the American people now desire that Congress should at once provide for U. S. army, navy and hospital service an adequate provision of war honors. Beyond all question, it is desired that our government should be as well provided as any one of our allies, and particularly England and France. In due time these press evidences will be submitted to Congress.

The five measures regarding war honors, and another coming from Mr. McCormick, indicate at least five desires in Congress for action on this subject. Two of the bills and both resolutions entirely fail to approach the situation on broad-gauge tracks. They nibble at the matter, instead of proposing a broad and all-embracing plan of foundation.

I am very sure that no one, either in Congress or out of it, desires or intends that this particular matter, involving the interests of probably 2,500,000 brave men who before the war is finished will risk their lives for their country,- for you and for me,- shall be dealt with in a half-hearted, piecemeal or slipshod way, such as now actually portends in three of the measures before Congress:

Last summer I took up this matter because no one else seemed to be thinking of it, or doing anything about it.

House bill No. 6447, by Murray Mulbert, is, in the opinion of many good judges, the only measure in sight which proposes to handle the war honor matter in a broad and comprehensive way, and with the business-like precision and despatch that the country expects. Strong forces are already behind that measure; and they propose to stay there.

I now write to beg you to introduce a bill like the Mulbert bill in the Senate, so that we can at once ask for a hearing, and get things going.

In making this call upon you for services to the men of the army and navy, I desire to assure you that if you accept the task, you will have strong and well-organized support. The American Humane Society, the American Defense Society and fourteen great newspapers have definitely endorsed the Mulbert bill, and enlisted in the cause it represents. They will be satisfied with no inadequate or half-hearted measures. Our duty to the brave boys in khaki and in blue calls for war honors every bit as good and as varied as those of Great Britain, of which ^{we} ~~we~~ can give you very full information when the time comes. Great Britain finds it necessary to award ten different medals and crosses in this war:

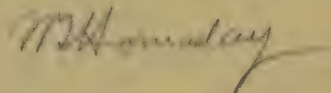
December 12, 1917

My dear Senator, this is a very large matter. We have not taken it up in a small or a flippant way. There is in it all absolutely nothing for any of its sponsors, save hard work, without any thanks from anybody! The Mulbart bill must be introduced in the Senate, - naming as one of the Commissioners "a representative of the American Numismatic Society" instead of "the Director of the Mint."

If you will be the Senate sponsor of our bill, we will be most pleased and proud to have you. If for any reason you can not do so, we will have to look elsewhere for a champion.

I am sure that if you take up this bill, you will be so well supported that you never will regret your decision.

Yours very sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "M. H. Mulbart", is written over the typed name. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping tail that extends to the right.

December 13th, 1917.

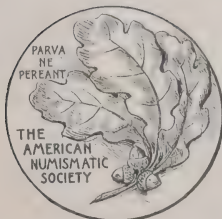
Dr. William T. Hornaday,
Bronx Zoological Park,
Bronx, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Hornaday:-

At your convenience will you kindly send us for our information a copy of the sheet you showed us at the conference of last Friday, December 7th, mentioning the numbers of the various English honor awards that had been made in connection with the present war.

Yours very sincerely,

Secretary.



THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
BROADWAY, BETWEEN 155TH AND 156TH STREETS
NEW YORK

December 13, 1917.

Hon. Jacob Smith,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Smith:-

You doubtless know of the several bills now before Congress attempting to provide for our men "valor medals", which will compare favorably with those being awarded by our Allies, especially France and England. As typical of the better class of the articles relating to this prospective legislation, a reprint from the current issue of the Scientific American is enclosed.

The American Numismatic Society, because it is almost the only museum which has been actively collecting and studying war medals and decorations of all countries and particularly of our own, is in hearty sympathy with any movement which will result in prompt honor awards to our soldiers, sailors and marines under conditions comparable to those obtaining in other nations.

May we ask your attention to the Hulbert Bill, H.R.6447, now before the House Committee on Military Affairs which we believe most nearly meets the needs of the hour. It endeavors to handle the subject in a broad way, and to make provisions which will be adequate. It has the further virtue of taking immediate effect. This Society stands ready to provide any information in its power whether before a Committee or elsewhere, and is willing to send to Washington for exhibition such decorations as it may own, if suitable provision for showing them can be assured.

If you are convinced that the Hulbert Bill is what we believe, may be bespeak your interest and active co-operation in securing the passage of this bill?

Yours respectfully,

On behalf of The American Numismatic Society.

President.

New York Zoological Park

UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF THE

NEW YORK ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

185th St. & Southern Boulevard

WILLIAM T. HORNADAY Sc. D.,
DIRECTOR

New York, December 14, 1917 191

Mr. Sidney P. Noe, Secretary,
American Numismatic Society,
156th St. and Broadway,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Noe:

I have much pleasure in sending you a copy of the statement furnished me by Ambassador Page, giving the number of each kind of war honors that have been awarded by the British government. At the earliest possible moment this must be placed before Congress at a hearing, through which it will go into print.

I cannot understand the delay about the Congressional Directories. Mr. Elliott must have encountered a complete exhaustion of the December issue.

Yours very truly,

W. T. Hornaday

encl.

December 15th, 1917.

Dr. William T. Hornaday,
Bronx Zoological Gardens,
Bronx, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Hornaday:-

Thank you for the copy of the statement furnished
by Ambassador Page, giving the number of war orders
awarded by the British government.

Regarding the Congressional Directory - Mr. Hopkins
has secured a copy for us so that if you secure one from
Mr. Elliot you will perhaps find it convenient to retain
it for your own reference. I am enclosing a clipping
relating to another award medal for your information.
Kindly return it when you have finished with it.

I beg to report that letters were sent yesterday
to each member of Congress together with the reprint of
Mr. Hopkins' article, a copy of which is enclosed.

We should be glad to learn of the outcome of your
visit to Washington at your convenience.

Yours very truly,

Secretary/

HOUSE TO ACT ON WAR MEDALS

Soldiers' Rights to Accept Foreign Decorations Will Be Decided.

Washington, Dec. 15.—The question of whether the American soldier, serving with conspicuous gallantry on the battlefields of Europe, is to be permitted to receive military decorations from the allied Governments is to be settled at this session of Congress.

Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, of Massachusetts, introduced a bill at the last session which permits American citizens who have received, since August, 1914, decorations or medals for distinguished service in the armies or in connection with the field service of those nations engaged in war against the Imperial German Government, to wear such medals or decorations on entering the military or naval service of the United States.

The bill was amended to provide that any officer or enlisted man of the military or naval forces of the United States is authorized to accept and wear any medal or decoration heretofore bestowed or that may hereafter, during the war, be bestowed by the Government of any of the nations now engaged with the United States in war against Germany.

Late in the session the bill was called up in the Senate by unanimous consent and passed without debate or division. It is now on the calendar as unfinished business in the House.

The two views of the question are recorded in the statements of Senator Saulsbury, president pro tem. of the Senate, who drew the amendment to the Lodge bill, and Senator Lee S. Overman, of North Carolina, chairman of the Committee on Rules, who holds an old-fashioned view.

Let Allies Honor Our Men, Says Saulsbury.

By WILLARD SAULSBURY.

U. S. Senator from Delaware.

Washington, Dec. 15.—"I am heartily in favor of granting recognition to American soldiers and sailors for conspicuous conduct and gallantry in action. Decorations such as are given by our allies and medals authorized by our own Con-

gress are in no sense patents of nobility prohibited by the Constitution.

"They are the visible evidences of deeds gloriously performed in the service of one's country and will be treasured not only by those who win them, but by their descendants in the years to come as precious souvenirs of the part played by their forebears in the great world war for the perpetuation of civilization.

"Why should we not give official recognition to special and particularly meritorious services in a war for such a great cause? I am in favor of permitting our own soldiers and sailors who won distinction during their service with our Allies to retain and wear their hard-won decorations on their own American uniforms when they enter our own service. I would permit them in the future to accept and wear these tributes if they do those great things that in the judgment of any of our Allies entitle them to official recognition.

"Acts of distinguished gallantry on the battlefield, under fire, or amid the dangers of the seas, should be rewarded for such conduct by any of our fighting forces. I heartily approve of appropriate medals to be authorized by Congress and the acceptance of decorations from our Allies when they believe the recipient has won them."

By LEE S. OVERMAN.

U. S. Senator from North Carolina.

Washington, Dec. 15.—In the matter of granting decorations from foreign governments to either soldiers or civilians, I want to main-

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DIRECTOR

New York, December 17, 1917 191

Mr. Sidney P. Noe, Secretary,
American Numismatic Society,
156th St. & Broadway,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Noe:

By this morning's mail you will receive reports of how I am getting on with Senator Hitchcock. It is now up to him to say whether he will or whether he won't. He has written me a brief note that he will consider the matter, and let me know his decision at an early date. In case he decides adversely, the moment he does so I will go to Washington to see Senator Nelson who, being a Republican, is not too busy to be seen.

Meanwhile, I enclose copies of two letters that I have received from Senator Chamberlain, chairman of the Senate Committee on Military Affairs. He at least has our cause in mind. I do not think he will let the Owen bill get through his Committee without giving us a chance to be heard.

The enclosed clipping regarding the eagle medal is interesting as showing the trend of public sentiment, and the desire to do the right thing by our army and navy. I will send Mr. Hasey some of our printed matter, and I would suggest that you mail him a copy of Mr. Hopkin's admirable article.

Yours very sincerely,

W. T. Hornaday

encl.

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New York, December 17th, 1917.

Dr. W. T. Hornaday,
Zoological Park,
New York.

My dear Dr. Hornaday:-

I am very much interested in the bill you are trying to get before Congress, covering honor awards for services in the field, and shall be obliged if you will send me a copy of the bill and any other information and suggestions you wish me to have. After hearing from you I shall bring the matter before the War Committee of the Lawyers Club, which is composed of a very influential body of men, and endeavor to get them to back it up in Washington, and to further your efforts by any means in their power or along such lines as you may desire.

Very truly yours,

(signed) Duncan M. Stewart

C O P Y

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Washington, D.C.

December 17, 1917.

W. T. Hornaday, Esq., Director,
New York Zoological Park,
185th St. and Southern Blvd.,
New York City, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Hornaday:

I have not had an opportunity to read the Hulbert Bill, but I shall be compelled to vigorously oppose it if it provides, as your enclosure indicates, for a commission of award, including, God knows why, the Director of the Mint, the National Academy of Design, and one distinguished citizen, to establish regulations for the award of honors. The regulations should be drawn by military authority and should be awarded by the Commander in Chief of the Expeditionary Forces.

Very truly yours,

(signed) Medill McCormick

New York Zoological Park

UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF THE

NEW YORK ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY,

185th St. & Southern Boulevard

WILLIAM T. HORNADAY Sc. D.,
DIRECTOR

New York, December 18, 1911 191

Mr. Sydney F. Noe, Secretary,
American Numismatic Society,
156th St. and Broadway,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Noe:

Mr. Duncan M. Stewart, Vice-president of the French American Constructive Company, has written me a cordial letter, offering his assistance in our war honors campaign, and proposing to bring the matter before the War Committee of the Lawyers Club for the purpose of securing the support of that body. Naturally I am furnishing him with facts and literature, and urging him to do his utmost to enlist the Lawyers Club in our campaign.

Yours very truly,

W. T. Hornaday

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P.S. I add a few words just now
received from Mr. Elliott. - Off course he
refers all along to our bill & no others

"That Medal of Honor bill will go through all right. The precise text of it so far as I can draw in advance of all the details, has already been given to it. In Chamberlain and Hildreth's, the case is more than friendly; and the bill is in good hands. Nothing will be done until after the Christmas recess."

For enclosure to Mr. Edward T. Newell.

December 20, 1917

Hon. Medill McCormick,
House of Representatives.

My dear Mr. McCormick:

One inference you have drawn from your reading of the Hulbert bill is entirely wrong. The bill does not propose a "commission of award", and it never will. That would be the acme of folly. It proposes a commission that shall lay a broad and rational foundation for a situation that now is utterly inadequate and absurd; and it contemplates that the Secretaries of War and the Navy, as members of that commission, shall call to their aid the brightest minds in those two services to create war honors and formulate rules of award.

The designation of the Director of the Mint is a very trifling matter, easily changed. I would now be very glad to see a representative of the American Numismatic Society substituted for him.

There is every reason in the world why the other two citizens should be on the commission, the chief reason being that their services would be very much needed in the volume of business to be done; and they cost nothing.

For reasons best known to its members, the Congress of the United States has up to this time elected to leave the whole matter of honor awards virtually in the discard. We are now in a great war, two full years behind what we should be in the matter of field artillery and rifles, and twenty years behind the times in the matter of war honors. Perhaps Congress has been too busy to give adequate attention to such trifling little matters as those.

Two and a half years ago I tried, as a citizen who was not sound asleep, to arouse some members of Congress to the necessity for the immediate arming of this sleepy and defenseless nation.

I was laughed at for my pains.

Now I am trying to arouse Congress to the necessity of giving the men of our army, navy and hospital service a square deal, and a quick and sensible deal, in the matter of war honors. I have studied the subject.

The people of this country who willingly are giving their only sons, and the very flower of their young manhood, to shed their heart's blood in foreign lands in defense of our country are in no mood to be trifled with in this matter of war honors. They expect it to be settled on a basis quite as broad and as generous as the laws for military service and war taxes. Thus far the Hulbert bill is the only one that proposes broad treatment.

Hon. Medill McCormick page 2

December 20, 1917

Inasmuch as you are one of the very, very few men in Congress who manifests anything more than the most languid interest in this subject, I hope that we can get together, and pull together instead of pulling separately. If there is anything decidedly wrong with the Mulbert bill, beyond the Director of the Mint, it would be a favor to the people I represent if you would point it out.

Yours very truly,

December 20, 1917

Hon. Murray Hulbert,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hulbert:

Up to this date I have conscientiously refrained from troubling you, either with information or requests concerning the war honors bill which you kindly introduced for us. Now matters have assumed such a complexion that it is necessary for me to report the situation.

1.- SUPPORT. Up to this date fourteen newspapers, covering the country from Seattle to New York, have come out strongly in editorials specifically endorsing the Hulbert bill, and strongly recommending its passage at an early date. In due time copious extracts from these editorials will be printed and laid before Congress, and I will add that this must not be long delayed. The following are the newspapers referred to:

New York Tribune.

" " Times.

" " World.

" " Sun.

Providence Journal.

Waterbury (Conn.) Republican.

Buffalo News.

Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

Spokane Spokesman-Review.

Chicago News.

Denver News.

Houston (Texas) Post.

Minneapolis Journal.

Scientific America.

Two highly important accessions of strength consist of the American Numismatic Society and the American Defense Society, both of which have formally espoused the cause that your bill represents, and have appointed committees to do campaign work. The American Numismatic Society is especially interested, and it is disposed to throw all of its resources into this cause. In view of the fact that this organization of all others in the United States is the one which knows most about the subject of war honors, and has the greatest resources in money, specimens and information, the influence which this Society can wield can readily be estimated. The American Defense Society is the most vigorous of all the patriotic societies with which I am acquainted, and it knows no such word as fail.

The support of a great many other societies will be secured just as fast as the matter is brought before them; and this, by the way, will be done without delay.

2.- THE SITUATION IN CONGRESS. I am very much disturbed in mind by the attitude of Chairman Bent of the House Committee on Military Affairs. I expected that he would be sympathetic and helpful. On the contrary, I find that I have come up against a stone wall of indifference. I have repeatedly asked and urged

December 20, 1917

Mr. Dent to appoint a sub-committee for the consideration of your bill and all the other war honor measures before the House, and give a hearing at an early date. The best that I have succeeded in eliciting from Mr. Dent is the following letter, dated December 17:

"It is not the intention of the committee to lay this question aside until the Appropriation bill is completed, inasmuch as a medal of honor bill has already been reported to the House and is now on the calendar. The committee will at an early date take up the question of amendments to the bill already reported.* As Congress adjourns for the holidays tomorrow it is impossible to get a quorum of the committee at this time, and the matter will necessarily have to be postponed until after the holidays."

The above is far from reassuring, because I have from the very beginning pointed out to Mr. Dent the utter inadequacy of Senate bill No. 1720 (Union Calendar of the House No. 56). But this makes no impression whatever on the mind of Mr. Dent or, for that matter, upon the mind of anyone in the House to whom the subject has been mentioned. As you see by Mr. Dent's letter, there is a perfectly fixed determination in the House Committee on Military Affairs to try to amend that very stupid bill. Now, if that idea is persisted in and action of that kind is really taken, it will be nothing short of a calamity, because it will lead Congress to believe that the subject of war honors is being adequately handled, whereas the surface of it will be no more than scratched.

I beg you to insist upon it that Senate bill 1720 be referred back to the House Committee on Military Affairs for further consideration so that it can come up on its merits (if it has any) whenever a hearing is held. The House Committee naturally is averse to recalling a bill which it once has favorably reported; and in case it will not recall the bill, then the bill should be defeated. If it is passed, all the supporters of your bill will instantly appeal to the President to veto it, and we shall arouse the whole country against it. We demand a thoroughly adequate measure instead of a 10% measure.

Some work is very necessary to keep that bill from being perfunctorily and mechanically passed, but of course the matter will have to be managed so as to save the face of the House Committee on Military Affairs, which never should have permitted such a bill as that to go back to the House and be put on the calendar. Fancy passing a bill at this time for a distinguished service medal which does not even mention the men of the navy and marine corps or the hospital service! That is a good measure of the character of that bill. Secretary Daniels did not even know of the existence of the bill or of its character in ignoring the navy, until I wrote to him and pointed it out, and then he wrote hurriedly to Chairman Dent requesting that the navy be mentioned in the bill by an amendment.

All these things show you the slipshod manner in which this subject is being treated.

Having heard that Representative Medill McCormick is now interested in war honors and proposes to introduce a bill, I wrote to him calling attention to your bill and asking him to support it. I enclose a copy of his reply and my answer.

Very truly yours,

December 21st, 1917.

Hon. Medill McCormack,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 17th regarding the Hulbert bill which states that you are opposed to a Committee consisting of the Director of the Mint, a Representative of the National Academy of Design and one distinguished citizen. I can quite understand your objection on the score that a member of the National Academy of Design would hardly be prepared to deal with military matters, and I believe you would be the first to realize that it is not in that province that the service of the Academician would be used. Obviously the intent of the designer of the bill is to safeguard the form and artistic appropriateness of such medals as the Department of War and of the Navy should prescribe. We have been informed that a representative of the Numismatic Society is to be substituted for the Director of the Mint because it is felt that we are in the better position to give information regarding our national medals and those of other countries.

Will you permit me to say that The American Numismatic Society has no ulterior motive in supporting the Hulbert Bill. We believe the present antiquated system of awarding honor medals is entirely inadequate, and our only purpose is to provide the constituted agency with such information regarding the honor medals of other nations that those conferred by our country during this war will not suffer by comparison. I believe that this is not at all removed from your own desire in the matter, and any suggestions or further criticism you may have to offer will be interpreted in that spirit and gratefully received.

Yours very truly,

President.

For enclosure to Mr. Edward T. Newell.

December 22, 1917

Hon. Murray Hulbert,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hulbert:

Please consider this a brief supplement to my previous letter.

I have a very wise friend in Washington who is helping me with the your bill. He has been to see Representative Gordon, who is a member of the House Committee on Military Affairs, and confidentially Mr. Gordon says substantially this:

"Let Mr. Hulbert, in his right as a member of the House and the author of the bill (H.R. 6447), ask Chairman Dent to give him a hearing on his bill. Mr. Dent cannot refuse, and will not. Then, let Mr. Hulbert call in all his backers of this bill and put them up to be heard when the day is set, standing by as sponsor for the bill and for them, and introduce them to the Committee. That is the only way to reach this thing." Of course it can be brought up on the floor, but it is better to have it worked out in the Committee first."

Then Mr. Elliott goes on to say on his own account: "The idea of passing a medal of honor bill is well nigh unanimous, but there are so many lawyers and patriots with ideas of how such a bill should be framed, that until the whole thing is framed up in committee and on the floor of the House and Senate, no one can tell just how that bill will look when it gets through. The best way is to get the bill into the House as soon as possible so as to beat the jokers.

"In the Senate Senators Chamberlain and Hitchcock are warm friends of your idea. They will be the rulers of the game in the Senate. On the House side it rests primarily with Representatives Dent and Hulbert. If they work together, nothing can beat them!

January 8 is the only day on which I could not go to Washington,

Yours very sincerely,

MEDALS FOR WHICH BRAVE MEN FIGHT AND DIE;



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C O P Y .

In reply refer to No.
N9C/PK

Navy Department
Bureau of Navigation
Washington D.C.

8935-2-2

December 29th, 1917

Sir.

Referring to your letter of November 2nd, 1917 relative
to Campaign Medals.

The Department is preparing to issue Service Badge for service in Mexico. It will be in all respects the same as Campaign badges heretofore issued by the Department, except for the color of the ribbon and the design on the obverse of the medal. The colors of the ribbon have been decided on as follows:- A green stripe 1/8" wide, a band of yellow 3/8" wide and a green stripe 1/8" wide; the whole to be 1-3/8" wide. The design on the obverse of the medal has not been decided on.

There is enclosed herewith, for your information, a copy of letter sent to various jewelers and manufacturers of metals.

Should you desire to make suggestions as to design on this medal, the Department will be pleased to consider such.

Respectfully,
(signed) Thos. J. Fenn
Captain U.S.N.
Acting chief of Bureau.

Harrold E. Gillingham,
423 Walnut Street
Philadelphia.

Inclosure.

The enclosure referred to by the Navy Department.

C O P Y .

N9C/F.K.
8935-2-1

December 29, 1917

Gentlemen,

The Department is about to issue to the Officers and men of the Navy a Service Badge commemorative of the Service in Mexico. A proposal for the design, manufacture and supply of about 10,000 of these badges will be sent to you, among others, in the near future. The contract will be awarded to the lowest acceptable bid submitted, based on consideration of the design, price, workmanship, time of delivery, etc, combined.

As the Department has not yet decided on the exact number of these badges desired, this letter is addressed to you with a view of your submitting a design for this badge in advance of your bid on the formal proposal.

This badge will be of the same size and of the same general characteristics as the campaign badges heretofore issued by the Navy. The medal will be of bronze, round, 1-1/4" in diameter; the reverse of the medal to have a standard design. The design for the obverse is the design you are asked to submit and should be something symbolical or descriptive of the Mexican Service, similar to designs on badges issued by the Department for the Spanish War, the Philippine Campaign, the Nicaraguan Campaign, etc. The design should bear the word "Mexico" and the dates "1911-1917". The following are suggested as possibly suitable to incorporate in this design:-

The castle of San Juan de Ulloa

The City of Vera Cruz in the distance with Mt. Orizaba in the dim background and San Juan de Ulloa in the foreground.

A typical strip of Mexican Coast, with Mt. Orizaba in the dim background.

As this is for the Navy Department, the foreground of any design should have a bit of sea. The above are merely suggestions. Any design you desire to submit will be considered by the Department.

The ribbon will be of silk and composed as follows:-

A green stripe 1/8" wide

A band of yellow 3/8" wide.

A band of blue 3/8" wide.

A band of yellow 3/8" wide and

A ~~xxxxxx~~ green stripe 1/8" wide

the whole to be 1-3/8" wide.

An early response to this letter will be appreciated.

Respectfully.

A carbon copy enclosed, unsigned.

December 29th, 1917.

Hon. Murray Hulbert,
600 West 140th Street,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Hulbert:-

Dr. William T. Hornaday, Director of the New York Zoological Park, has informed me that he requested you to visit our museum building for a conference last Friday afternoon, and that owing to pressure of war duties you were unable to be present at that time. Dr. Hornaday further stated that you hoped to find an opportunity during the coming week.

Now I say that we shall be glad to meet your convenience with regard to the time of your visit, and that we hope nothing will prevent your coming. If you could communicate with me stating the time that would be most desirable to you, I would then arrange to have several of our members, very much interested in your bill, present to meet you. We believe that even a brief conference may be productive of far reaching results in the effort we are making to obtain support. My telephone number is Audubon 2424, and our museum, as you probably know, is only fifteen blocks from your residence.

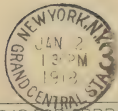
Respectfully yours,

Secretary.

Jan 1. 1908

am interested in the
Honor medals but am
not acquainted with
any member of Congress.

Will be glad to contribute
to any fund the Society
may wish to raise to
further this object (Y. H. H. H.)



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SYDNEY P. NOE, SECRETARY

THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

BROADWAY AT 156TH STREET

NEW YORK N. Y

Mr.

I am interested in the subject
and am acquainted with several
Fellingingtons

W. Whitton.

Jan 1 '18



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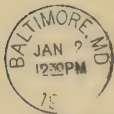
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NEW YORK N. Y

Will be glad to cooperate if possible in
matter of your circular letter of Dec 1
am acquainted with Senator John Walter Smith
am ⁱⁿ France, also with Congressman Coady,
Lincoln staff.

Yours truly
Hald. Coady

Jan 2, '01



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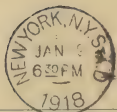
Mr. Sydney H. Moe, Sec'y.

Dear Sir:-

I am interested in what your circular says about the Mulbert Bill, H. R. 6477, and when the time comes, if requested, shall be glad to write a letter about this matter to one member of Congress whom I know very well, as well as my own Congressional representative.

Yours very truly, ,

W. D. Ginnell



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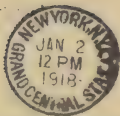
My dear Mr. Nee:

Am heartily in favor of the special
war awards. Shall think the matter over and
will see what can be done about approaching
some members of Congress at the proper time.

Believe me

Very truly yours,

George F. Murray



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NEW YORK N Y

New York, Jan. 2, 1918

I am interested in the matter of honor medals
for men in army and navy, etc., and am willing
to write personally to Congressmen I know well
when I am asked to do so.

Yours truly,

Samuel R. Betts.



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BROADWAY AT 156TH STREET
NEW YORK N. Y.

New Years Day

I regret having no acquaint-
ance with any Congressman
or Senator. Sorry.

W. P. Britton

Am willing to write our
two Senators and our local
Congressman.



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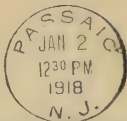
125 W. 11th St., N.Y. City -

Sidney P. ~~Howe~~ Esq.
Secretary.

Dear Sir: - In answer to your letter of Dec. 31, I wish
to say that I am interested in the Bill which you
are introducing in Congress to provide a adequate
Lawn medals on the men in our Army and Navy
and Marine Corps in the present war.

Yours very truly

Samuel C. French.



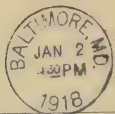
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11 Mt. Vernon Place
Baltimore, Md

Dear Sir, I knew the Senators
& a number of the Congress-
men of Maryland,
Yrs

Henry Barton Jr. or
Also the Union Senator from T.C.



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J. M. Whitton.

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January 2, 1918.

American Numismatic Society,

Gentlemen;

Being personally acquainted with Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania, a very influential member of the Senate, I can and will be glad to urge the passage of House Bill 6447.

To Senator Penrose in the Senate and the late Congressman W. W. Bingham in the House, we are indebted for the bill passed by Congress authorizing the illustrations of coins in publications in this country. You may not be acquainted with the fact, but my brother and myself were the persons who worked this bill through at our own expense. Previous to this enactment, no illustrations of any coin, ancient or modern were permitted.

I will make an effort to be at the annual meeting January 12th.

Very truly yours,

Henry Chapman

3 JAN 1918

I am interested in
the matter of medals
for U. S. soldiers and
sailors, and shall be
glad to hear further of
steps taken by A. N. S.

I don't suppose I have
influence over Senators
and Representatives, but
wish I had!

Yours very truly

Horace H. Wheeler

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By all means counting
as being in favor of
appropriate military honors
for our soldiers and sailors.

Frank J. Hunter
Municipal Union Jan 3



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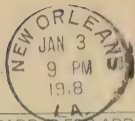
NEW YORK N. Y

New Orleans La Jan'y 3-1918

I am. I suppose interested
in the Hubert bill. however
I know nothing of it and
can't say in advance of see-
ing what it stands for

Very truly
Ed Wright

P.O. Box 2



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THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

BROADWAY AT 156TH STREET

NEW YORK N. Y

Dear Sir:-

I heartily appreciate and
endorse your movement regarding
medals but there seems
no way I can get appropriate
action along the line you
suggest.

Very truly yours

Benjamin A. Howe

No. 1 BROADWAY, NEW YORK

ROOM ONE

ERNEST R. ACKERMAN

January 3, 1918

Mr. Sydney P. Noe, Secretary,
American Mumismatic Society,
New York, N. Y.
Dear Sir:-

Answering your letter of December 31st, would say that I am personally acquainted with the Hon. John F. Tapstick, Member of Congress from the State of New Jersey and also with the Hon. Joseph I. Frelinghuysen, Senator from the State of New Jersey, and in the event that I could be of some use in bringing the matter referred to in your circular to their attention, I should be glad to do so.

Very truly yours,

Ernest R. Ackerman

ERA/C

MEMBER

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January
Fourth,
1917.

Mr. Sydney P. Noe, Secretary.

The American Numismatic Society,

New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Noe:-

I am very much interested and appreciate your letter of the 31st ult., relative to the effort of the American Numismatic Society to get a bill passed by Congress to provide adequate honor medals for the men of our Army, Navy and Marine Corps in the present war. While I do not claim to have any influential connections with representatives in Washington from this State, I believe however, that if all parties interested would solicit the support of this bill of their respective representative in Washington, it would undoubtedly lend much desired support. I, for my part, am willing to do everything you may suggest for me to do at the proper time, and will appreciate your advising me thereof at your convenience.

Cordially yours,

BM/LLK.

FROM



P. O. DRAWER 976

Offices: Mehl Building
Cor. Henderson St. & Magnolia Ave.

FORT WORTH, TEXAS

1130 Vermont St.
Washington D.C.
Jan 4th 1948

Sydney P Green Esq

Your letter has
been received. I am so busy now
that I cannot write in full.
The work in form of House bills,
I returned to New York last
after long journeying, but after we
left it found me in a
big busy city where my wife
and I are both in
touch with many other people
the work, although I am
leaving for the summer

Very Sincerely

Miss

Charles H. Johnson

I have written Senator Penrose
re. H. R. 64647. & will
do all I can to aid your
Committee. I have no
Senatorial acquaintances
what ever = Sincerely

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HAROLD E. GILLINGHAM



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BROADWAY AT 156TH STREET
NEW YORK N. Y

I will be glad to write on
M.C. on the military medal
question

question

A. E. R. A.

H. E. Deane
Wilmington, N. C.

BROADWAY AT 150TH STREET



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THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
BROADWAY AT 156TH STREET
NEW YORK N. Y.

Cleveland, Ohio, Jan. 5, 1918.

Dear Sir:

In reply to yours of the 31st ult. will do everything we can to assist you in the matter.

Sincerely yours,

W. H. Catherall

Vice Pres. & Director.

THE WESTERN RESERVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

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W. GILMAN THOMPSON, M. D.

61 WEST 49TH STREET

TELEPHONE CIRCLE 1506

NEW YORK

CONSULTATION HOURS 9-11

Saturday January 5th. 1918.

Mr. Sydney P. Noe,
American Numismatic Society.

Dear Mr. Noe;

I have received your communications regarding valor medals for our fighting men, and am earnestly in accord with the project. I don't happen at the moment, to have any personal friends in Congress, whom I might address on this subject; but I will do what I can to give the matter publicity.

Very Truly Yours

W. Gilman Thompson

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HARTFORD, U. S. A.

Jan. 7th, 1918.

Sydney P. Noe, Secretary,
American Numismatic Society,
New York City.

Dear Sir:

Yours of December 31st in reference to adequate honor medals for the men of our army, navy and marine corps in the present war received. Certainly we are interested in the movement and will be pleased to receive any information along these lines which it may be convenient for you to send.

Very sincerely,

Geo. S. Godard
State Librarian.

Vero, Florida, January 7, 1918.

Dear Sir: Your communication
regarding honor medals for soldiers
and sailors, was forwarded to me here.
I am heartily in favor of the effort,
and when the proper time comes
will write my Congressman, with
whom I am personally acquainted.
Very truly

Charles S. Minkus

1517 South Street,
Davenport, Iowa.



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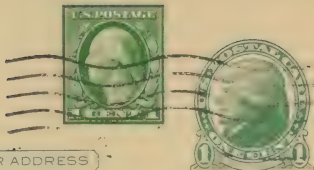
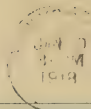
SYDNEY P. NOE, SECRETARY
THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
BROADWAY AT 156TH STREET
NEW YORK N. Y.

824 West End Ave., N. Y.

Dear Sir, January 10, 1917

I am interested in the movement of the Numismatic Society to influence the Congress to provide honor medals for the men of the Army, Navy and Marine Corps, and at the proper time will be glad to render any assistance in my power.

Yours very truly, H. A. Tully.



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THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

BROADWAY AT 156TH STREET

NEW YORK N. Y

Rochester N. Y Jan 11 '18

Sydney P. Nor See
New York City

Dear Sir

I am very much interested
in the giving of Medals to our soldiers
and sailors. Am personally ac-
quainted with Congressman Dewey
of this district, but as I am
leaving for California in a few days
will not be able to be of much service.
I am yours truly
J. C. Woodbury.



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THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
BROADWAY AT 156TH STREET
NEW YORK N. Y.

January 11, 1917.

Mr. William T. Sherman,
New York Biological Laboratory,
12345 Avenue and Madison, New York,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Sherman:

In reply to your letter of November 20, 1916, concerning the distinguished service medal bill, I desire to inform you that in this connection General Pershing has recommended executive action to provide for such medals.

The War College Division of the General Staff has made an extensive study on the subject and, as a result, has submitted specific recommendations for executive action, which, if approved, will provide for a distinguished service cross and a distinguished service medal either of which is to be awarded without delay to any person whose services in war warrant such action. The recommendations submitted are very much in line with your views on the subject, although it is noted that you desire still broader action in the shape of an honor commission to take up the whole question of decorations.

Under constitutional authority of the President to prescribe the uniform of the United States Army, the award of the service medals in this respect will, therefore, be covered for the matter of the President's authority the passage of the bills you refer to will not, therefore, be necessary, but such executive action need not conclude in a recommendation of the kind of the medal which will be awarded to those awarded, since the United States will, of course, take into consideration all existing decorations. I am sure you will agree with me in the general idea that this executive action should not be delayed by Congress as the one thing necessary at this time is to provide for the decorations referred to.

If the President approves the plan, a general order will be issued by the War Department on the subject, and I shall take pleasure in directing that a copy of the same be furnished you, should you so desire. As the matter is so well under way and so near completion, it appears that furnishing you with a copy of General Pershing's recommendations in the matter will be unnecessary.

Thanking you again for the effective and so timely interest you have taken in this matter, I am,

Very respectfully yours,

Dear Sir

Jan 12. 1818.

The circulars relating to the Honor medals
I have received and sent to Mr Gov. of this State (R.I.)
as he may take an interest in the piece - He is a
resident of Newport and much interested in the Army
& Navy - I have also written him calling attention to the
matter - If you have to spare another illustrated
circular - The Military Decorations & our Fighting Vessels,
and circular letter which you sent me please
send me another -

Yours very truly
C. P. Johnson.



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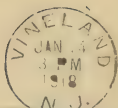
THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

BROADWAY AT 156TH STREET

NEW YORK N. Y

Finland. N.Y. January 14. 1918.
James P. Coe, Secy

Dear Sir: In reply to your recent
circular regarding lower fuel for the men of
the Army. Now and Annie Coe remind me to
say I am ^{well} personally acquainted ^{with} our
present member of Congress but can write to
him when requested in furtherance of the bill. I beg
to acknowledge the receipt a copy of Vol. 1 American
Journal of Humanities. Thanks. Very truly Frank A. Brewster.



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SYDNEY P. NOE, SECRETARY
THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
BROADWAY AT 156TH STREET
NEW YORK N. Y

New York, January 16th, 1918.

Mr. Sidney T. Noe, Secretary,
Numismatic Society,
156th St. & Broadway,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

The writer was in and had a very pleasant meeting with your Mr. Wood about a week ago. I went over the situation with him in regards to the Military Metals to be struck for the Army and Navy.

He showed me the Bill that was drafted for the House of Representatives. I am very anxious to keep in touch with the progress of this Bill, and also the Committees that may be named on them. Knowing that this information will come to you first, we would be much pleased to have you give us this information as soon as possible.

Please address all communications in regards to the above to the O.L. Child Company, Columbus, Ohio, and they will keep me posted.

Any courtesies will be very greatly appreciated by us.

Thanking you in advance for your favors,
I am,

Yours very truly,

FB::BMR

H. M. Bellows

New York Zoological Park

UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF THE

NEW YORK ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

185th St. & Southern Boulevard

WILLIAM T. HORNADAY SC. D.,
DIRECTOR

New York, January 16, 1918 191

Mr. Edward T. Newell, President,
American Numismatic Society,
156th St. and Broadway,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Newell:

I have received from Mr. Baker, Secretary of War, a letter which has given me a slight shock, and I transmit it to you by enclosing a copy of it for your information. I also enclose a copy of my proposed reply, and I submit this for the consideration of yourself and the Numismatic Society, and for criticisms and comments and suggestions before I send it away. I have taken time to think over the matter, and my last thought is precisely like my first one. I think that General Pershing has thrown a monkey wrench into the machinery by advancing an utterly inadequate proposal. I think he has done the cause harm instead of good, and that ~~is~~ his reason is a fear that the honor commission, if created, will do something to take the awarding of honors out of his hands.

I wrote to General Pershing last fall and sent him a copy of the Hulbert bill, asking his comments and his approval. The only answer that I received was a brief note from his secretary, stating that he had written to the Secretary of War regarding the matter. His letter to the Secretary of War undoubtedly was prompted by the receipt of my circular and a copy of our bill. Of course you and I know that the General's fears are entirely unfounded, for no one has dreamed that any honor commission in its senses would do anything else than place the awarding of war honors in the hands of the generals and admirals.

I am keeping close watch on the work of the Military Affairs Committee of the House, through my friend Mr. Elliott, and the Committee is now so absolutely tied up that it is useless to ask for the consideration of anything that the Committee's can trouble until certain matters are disposed of. The Committee is in daily session behind locked doors, and the secretary of the Committee says that it is utterly useless to ask for the consideration of anything until the present troubles are out of the way.

Senator Hitchcock has been in Nebraska for ten days and there has been no chance to get in touch with him since his return. Now, however, we will soon find out where he stands.

Awaiting with interest your reply in regard to the letter to the Secretary of War, I remain,

Always faithfully yours,

W. T. H.

W. T. Hornaday

January 16, 1918

Hon. Newton D. Baker,
Secretary of War,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Your letter of January 11 is the first manifestation of real interest in the development of war honors that I have received directly from any one connected with our Government. The frigid apathy that our cause has encountered has been to me a great surprise, and mystery, and a greater disappointment. Really, it seems as if no one south of New York cares in the least for an adequate foundation.

The war honors development seems fated to win only the most hasty and trivial attention. Of the six bills now before Congress, only one even attempts a broad and comprehensive foundation; and to that every person in Congress and in the executive departments seems utterly indifferent.

And now comes General Pershing with another inadequate proposal. I charitably conclude that the General does not know that the scope and exigencies of the war have compelled England to establish a series of ten war honors, in order to cover fittingly and becomingly special services in the line of war endeavor. The series is as follows:

Victoria Cross.
Distinguished Service Order.
Military Cross
Royal Red Cross
Distinguished Conduct Medal

Military Medal.
Meritorious Service Medal.
Naval Distinguished Service Medal.
Naval Distinguished Service Cross.
Conspicuous Gallantry Medal.

If President Wilson has the leisure to devote hours and days of time and effort to studying this subject, and mastering its details, then when he has done so he will be able to act intelligently; but otherwise he should not be expected to do so. The subject is not so short and simple as it may seem.

We regard the treatment proposed by General Pershing as quite inadequate, and therefore unsatisfactory. While it is a step in advance of the O'Shaughnessy bill, it proposes only one-third of a really adequate foundation. However, if this great nation is unable to wake up on this subject, and finally is quite determined to treat it in a 30-per-cent way, then the army, navy, air service, Red Cross and all civilian aids must try to be satisfied with that.

As for ourselves, we shall be satisfied with nothing short of an ade-

Hon. Newton D. Baker page 2

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quate foundation, equal to the best to be found abroad. Inasmuch as the Hulbert bill is the only adequate plan proposed, we shall steadily press for its passage.

If in the end this nation again is found too sleepy to see or to do its duty, as it was in 1915 and 1916, our fighting forces will have our sympathy, and the blame for a small and mean series of war honors will not rest upon us.

Very respectfully submitted,

A. F. DuPont

9 East Read Street, Baltimore, Md.
Jan. 16th 1918

My dear Dr. Hornaday,

The Croix de Guerre was created by the legislative action of the Chamber of Deputies, approved by the Senate, but the bill was proposed by the administration.

According to our conception, a president can not create a medal or as we say "decoration." It is proposed by the ministry, approved by the president, passed by the two houses and then signed by the president. In fact, now, these decorations are given by an order or diploma signed by the president, but originated by the G. O. C. of each army.

A president can not create an order, but a king can: this is the reason why the King of England has created new medals since the war; and before him, all medals were created by the King or Queen Victoria or others, but not by the British parliament. The reason of this is that these medals are still created under the definition of the older medals, which are the insignia of orders, like the Order, whose members are theoretically members of an order of chivalry, and the King is their Great Master.

In France, the Ordre Nationale de la Legion d'Honneur was created by Napoleon, (all previous orders had been abolished) who was the Emperor; therefore he was Great Master of the order, which contained a definite number of members- now this number is fixed by a law of the parliament- the President is, ipso facto, the Grand Maître of the Order. But no one is promoted unless the Grand Chancellor and his council have approved the nomination. It is for that ministers have recommended, even the president has recommended men not to get the medal, but to be nominated a member of the order; but in certain cases the Grand Chancellor has refused to countersign the nomination, and it was not done. But, coming back to your case, a war medal is not an order, but an insignia showing the bravery. According to our conception of Republics, it must be created by the Parliament.

I wrote to Dr. Campbell in San Antonio to get some information how to build bat-houses. Chapellier wrote me, asking for this information, I understand they want to build bat-houses near the firing line. Now Dr. Campbell writes me he has sent you a contribution to the Bulletin about this subject.

I am much busy with my work, I would like though, to have a long talk with you, about different questions of the APS.

Yours very sincerely,

(signed) A. F. DuPont

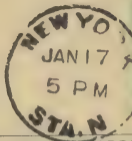
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C O P Y

I should be glad to write or see one of the Senators from
R. I. (Mr Gerry) regarding the Honor Medal.

Samuel V. Hoffman

1918, Jan. 17.



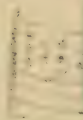
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SYDNEY P. NOE, SECRETARY
THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
BROADWAY AT 156TH STREET
NEW YORK N. Y.

Mr H. B. Storer regrets
that through illness
his letter of the 31st
has remained un-
answered so long. He
wishes to express his
interest in the matter
which you refer -

Respectfully R. D.
Jan 10th 1871



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THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

BROADWAY AT 156TH STREET

NEW YORK N. Y

EDWIN P. ROBINSON, D. D. S.,
12 HIGH STREET,
NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND.

Jan. 23, 1918.

Mr. Sidney P. Noe,
Secy.

Dear Sir:

I have the following reply to my letter and circulars relating to the honor medals for the Army & Navy sent to Governor Beeckman of Rhode Island. If you have any instructions now or later let me know, that is anything different from what has been said.

"Dear Doctor Robinson:

Governor Beeckman is in receipt of your letter of Jan. 19th and has requested me to write and ask what you would like him to do in the matter. Upon receipt of your reply I will again bring the matter to his attention.

Very truly yours,

J. H. Reuter
Executive Secretary. "

Governor Beeckman

Syracuse, N.Y.

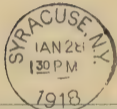
Dear Mr. Hoe:

our Congressman
told me he stands for these
medals and I know he
will help all he can.

will also pledge myself
to aid in any way I can.

very truly

W. A. Love



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SYDNEY P. NOE, SECRETARY

THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

BROADWAY AT 156TH STREET

NEW YORK N. Y

Dear Sir,

Jan 28th 1918

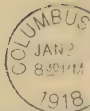
Just find that I have neglected to reply to
circular letter, dated Dec 31st in. N. H. R. 6447.
Would like to see this bill passed by Congress
and if it is not too late, will be pleased to
take the matter up with our mutual friend
Congressman W. A. Ashbrook, if you have not
already done so. If I can be of service,
let me know.

Very truly,

Wm. F. Anderson

Columbus Ohio

Catiguns Bank Bldg.



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SYDNEY P. NOE, SECRETARY

THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

BROADWAY AT 156TH STREET

NEW YORK N. Y.

Am personally acquainted with two or three officials at Washington whoes influence might assist in disposal of "H.R. 6447."

Upon receipt of instructions will be glad to do whatever may be possible in the matter.

Sincerely yours,

Z. R. Faucher

Redondo Beach, Calif.

March 3d 1918.



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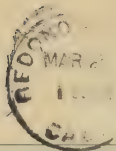
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THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
BROADWAY AT 156TH STREET
NEW YORK N Y

Passaic N.J. Feb. 1918.

Mr Sydney P. Tol. Secretary
American Numismatic Society
New York.

Dear Sir:

The writer will take much
pleasure to co-operate with our Society
in the support in an effort to get the Bill
introduced by Congressman Hubbert passed in
Congress. You may call on me at any time
for said purpose. Yours Respectfully, J. C. Lagerbely



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THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
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1913 correspondence

Hulbert Bill ②:
Congressional Responses

1913-1918

1913 recipient: Edward T. Newell

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Congressman

Asst. Sec. 3

House of Representatives U. S.

Washington, D. C.

November 17, 1917.

E. T. Newell, Esq., President,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, bet. 155th and 156th Sts.,
New York City.

Mr. Dear Mr. Newell:

I have not had an opportunity to read the
Hulbert Bill, but I shall be compelled vigorously
to oppose it if it provides, as your enclosure in-
dicates, ^{for} ~~that~~ a commission of award, including, God
knows why, the Director of the Mint, the National
Academy of Design, and one distinguished citizen,
to establish regulations for the award of honors.
The regulations should be drawn by military authority
and should be awarded by the Commander in Chief of the
Expeditionary Forces.

Very truly yours,

Frederick C. ...

WILLIAM A. OLDFIELD
ARKANSAS

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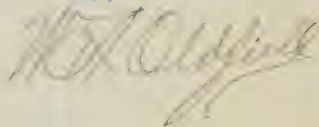
December 15, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell,
American Numismatic Society,
~~111 Broadway, between Fifth and Sixth Sts.~~
New York City.

Dear Sir:

I have your favor of the 14th instant received
in regard to the bill H. R. 13131 and I am very glad to
opinion that I will support this bill.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "W. A. Oldfield", with a long, sweeping flourish extending from the bottom right.

E. C. HUTCHINSON
4TH DIST. NEW JERSEY

House of Representatives U. S.

Washington, D. C. Dec. 15th, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell, President,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, Between 155th & 156th Sts.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Sir:- Permit me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 14th relative to the Hulbert bill which has for its provisions the furnishing of "valor medals" for our soldiers, sailors and marines, and to assure you I shall be glad to work and vote for the passage of the same.

Yours respectfully,

E. C. Hutchinson

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House of Representatives U. S.

Committee on
Coinage, Weights, and Measures
Washington, D. C.

December 15, 1917.

Edward T. Newell, Esq.,

c/o American Numismatic Society,

New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Newell:-

Your kind favor of the 14th received calling my attention to the Hulbert Bill. While I have not given this bill any consideration I know of no reason why I will not be quite willing to support it and do the best that I can to secure its passage.

With kind regards, I am,

Very respectfully,

WAA/D

SIXTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

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COMMITTEE ON THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES U. S.
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Dec. 15, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell, Pres.,

The American Numismatic Society,

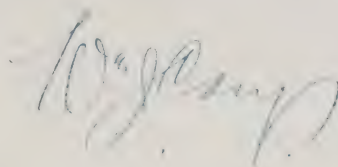
Broadway, between 153th & 156th Sts.,

New York, N. Y.

Dear sir:

I have your letter of the 14th with reference to the Hulbert bill, and in response will say that I am confined to my home in Washington through illness, but when I am able to leave the house, I shall be glad to bear your suggestions in mind regarding this bill.

Very truly yours,



THOS. GALLAGHER
8TH DISTRICT ILLINOIS

COMMITTEE ON
RIVERS AND HARBORS

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WASHINGTON

December 15, 1917.

Mr. Edw. T. Newell, Pres.,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, bet. 155th & 156th St.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of
Dec. 14th, with reference to H. R. 6447 and
in reply wish to say the same will have care-
ful consideration.

Yours respectfully,

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CLARENCE B. MILLER
8TH DIST. MINNESOTA

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House of Representatives U. S.
Washington, D. C.

December 15th, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell, Pres.,
The American Mammologic Society,
Between 155th and 156th Sts, on Broadway,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Sir:--

I beg to acknowledge receipt of
your letter of December 14th relative to H. R. 647, known
as the Pulbert Bill.

I am glad to have received this
expression of your views and beg to assure you
I will bear the same in mind when this matter is
before me for consideration.

C. B. Miller

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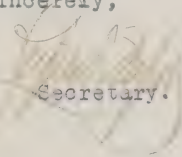
December 15, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell, President,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, bet. 155th & 156th Sts.,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of December 14th, addressed to Senator Penrose,
is at hand, and will be called to the Senator's attention at the
first opportunity.

Yours sincerely,


Secretary.

LC.T.H

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Committee on Appropriations,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

December 16, 1917.

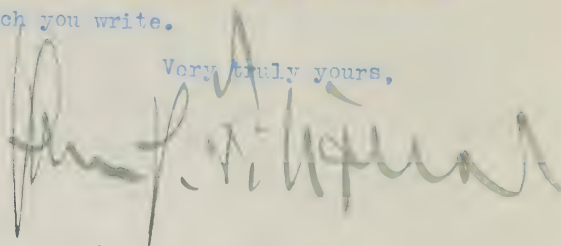
Mr. Edward T. Newell,
President, The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, between 155th and 156th Sts.,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Newell:

Your favor of the 14th instant is at hand.

I am leaving the House at the end of this
month, and will be before you soon to take care
of the bill about which you write.

Very truly yours,



CHRISTOPHER D. SULLIVAN
13TH DIST. NEW YORK

House of Representatives U. S.
Washington, D. C.

December 17, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell, Pres.,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, & 155th St.,
New York,

Dear Sir:

I thank you for your letter
and note what you have to say regarding the
bill introduced by Representative Hulbert.
I am not familiar with the contents of
the measure but I shall secure a copy and
give the matter my most thoughtful attention.

Yours, very truly,

Christopher D. Sullivan

THOMAS D. SCHALL

10TH DIST. MINNESOTA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

WASHINGTON

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SIXTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

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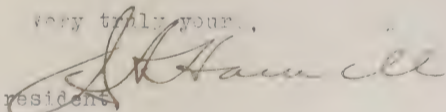
WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 17, 1917.

My dear Mr. Newell:-

I have your letter of December fourteenth and assure you the matter will receive my most careful consideration.

Very truly yours,



MR. EDWARD T. NEWELL, President,
The American Numismatic Society,
155th and 156th Street at Broadway,
New York City.

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United States Senate,

COMMITTEE ON NAVAL AFFAIRS.

December 17, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell,

President, The American Numismatic
Society,

Broadway, Between 185th and 186th Streets,

New York City.

Dear Sir:

I have not thought about the matter of "valor
medals" of which you write, but when the Hulbert Bill
comes up I will give it my consideration.

Very truly,



House of Representatives U. S.
Washington, D. C.

December 17, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell, President,
The American Numismatic Society
Broadway, Between 155th and 156th Sts.,
New York.

Dear Mr. Newell:-

I am in receipt of your letter of the 14th inst., and have read very carefully what you have to say concerning the question of legislation before Congress to provide "valor medals" for our men in the army and navy, and in immediate reply I will state that I am very much in sympathy with legislation of this character, and will be glad, indeed, to give it my earnest and careful consideration as a member of Congress when it comes before us for consideration.

Thanking you for your interest in the matter.

Yours very truly,



J. HAMPTON MOORE

3D DISTRICT PA.

House of Representatives U. S.
Washington, D. C.

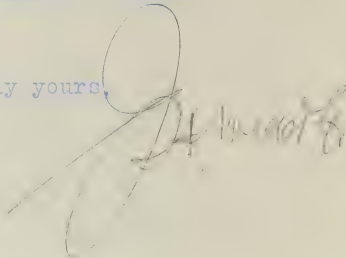
December 17, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell, President,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, Between 155th & 156th Sts.,
New York City.

Dear Sir:-

I am glad to have your favor of
December 14th with its references to the
Fulbert Bill, and will carefully consider
what you say about "valor medals" in con-
nection therewith.

Very truly yours,

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
WASHINGTON.

December 17, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell, Pres.,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, bet. 155th & 156th Sts.,
New York City.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of December 14th in regard to "valor medals" has
come to hand. I shall be pleased to give my earnest consideration
to the Hulbert bill, H. R. 6447.

Very truly yours,

Julius Kahn

JOHN E. BAKER, CAL., CHAIRMAN
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House of Representatives U. S.

Committee on
Expenditures in the Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

December 17, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell, Pres.,
155th and 156th Sts.,
New York City.

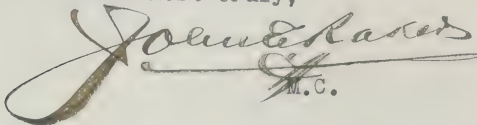
Dear Sir:

Yours of the fourteenth instant,
calling my attention to H.R. 6447,
at hand.

I shall be pleased to give same
my very best consideration and atten-
tion.

I am,

Yours most truly,


J. E. Baker
D. C.

House of Representatives U. S.
Washington, D. C.

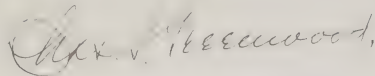
Dec. 17, 1917.

Hon. Edward T. Newell, President,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, bet. 155 and 156th Sts.,
New York City.

My dear sir:-

In the absence of Mr. Dale, I acknowledge
your favor of the 14th, with enclosure, and will take
pleasure in bringing it to Mr. Dale's attention on his
return here.

Very truly yours,

Alexander H. Greenwood,

Secretary.

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Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads,
House of Representatives, United States,
Washington, D. C.

December 17th, 1917.

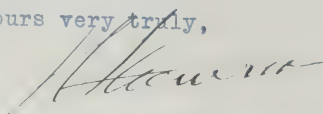
Mr. Edward T. Newell, Pres.,

The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, between 155th and 156th Streets,
New York.

My dear Sir:-

I have your favor of the 14th instant, with inclosure, for which I thank you. I shall give the matter referred to careful attention, and will bear in mind what you say on the subject of "valor medals" when the time for action shall arrive.

Yours very truly,



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United States Senate,

WASHINGTON, D. C.

PHILANDER C. KNOX
PENNSYLVANIA

December 17, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell,

President, The American Numismatic Society,

Broadway, between 145th and 146th streets,

New York City.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 14th instant, with inclosure, and shall give the matter to which you refer my earnest consideration when it comes before the Senate for action.

Very truly yours,



WILLIAM C. ADAMSON, GA., CHAIRMAN.
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

COMMITTEE ON
INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN COMMERCE.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 17, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell,

President, The American Numismatic Society,

Broadway, between 155th and 156th Streets,

New York City.

My dear Sir:

Your letter of the 14th instant, with enclosure, in relation to "Valor Medals", just received. I have not as yet had an opportunity to examine the Hulbert Bill (H.R. 6447), but I have given the subject careful study, and now have before me the drafts of several measures which I am contemplating introducing in the House immediately after the Christmas recess.

Sincerely yours,

Wm. D. Morrow

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COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS.
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 17th 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell, President,
The American Numismatic Society,
New York City.

My dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 14th instant
expressing your interest in the Hulbert bill, H. R.,
3447.

Promising to give this bill my most
careful consideration, bearing in mind your suggestions
regarding its merits, I am,

Very truly yours,

Edw. T. Newell

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United States Senate,

COMMITTEE ON THE PHILIPPINES.

December 17th, 1917

Mr. Edward T. Newell, President,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway between 155th & 156th,
New York City.

My Dear Mr. Newell:

Your letter of December 14th, favoring
H.R. 6447, received at this office. It will be referred
to Senator Hitchcock at an early moment for his most
careful perusal and attention.

Yours very truly,



Secretary to
Senator Hitchcock

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COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, UNITED STATES,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 17, 1917.f

Mr. Edw. T. Newell,
New York City.

My dear Sir:-

Your letter of the 14th has been received, and I have noted its contents. I will be very glad to give this matter careful attention when the matter is taken up.

Very truly yours,

PETER J. DOOLING,
16TH DISTRICT NEW YORK.

House of Representatives,
Washington.

December 17, 1917.

Mr. E. T. Newell,
President, American Numismatic Society
New York City.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of your letter of recent date in reference to the Hurlburt Bill H. R. 8447 providing for Medals of Honor for the Army and Navy. And assure you that I will give the views expressed on this subject in your letter my most careful consideration.

Yours very truly,

Peter J. Dooling

STUART F. REED
3D DIST. WEST VIRGINIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WASHINGTON

December 17, 1917.

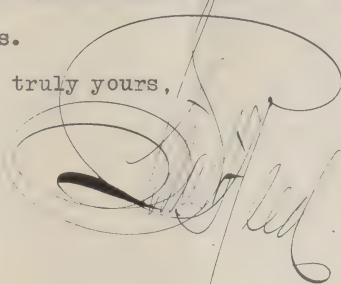
American Numismatic Society,

New York City, New York.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of December 14th, and assure you I shall be glad to give this matter careful attention, but am not sufficiently familiar with all the provisions of this bill to give any opinion at this time. However, it shall have my earnest consideration before it comes up for action in Congress.

Very truly yours,



JOHN F. SHAFROTH, COLO., CHAIRMAN.
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JOHN I. TIERNEY, CLERK

United States Senate,

COMMITTEE ON
PACIFIC ISLANDS AND PORTO RICO.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 17, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell, President,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, between 155 and 166th. Sts. New York,

My dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of your letter of the 14th. inst.,
relative to bill to provide "valor medals". When this measure
comes before the Senate I will give to your letter my careful
consideration.

With best wishes, I remain

Yours truly,

John F. Shafroth

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HENRY L. MYERS, MONT. WILLIAM ALDEN SMITH, MICH.
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E. T. SHURLEY, CLERK.

United States Senate,

COMMITTEE ON INDUSTRIAL EXPOSITIONS.

Washington, D. C. Dec. 17, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell, Pres.,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, Between 155th & 156th Sts.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Newell:-

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the
14th inst. I am very much interested in the subject
matter of your letter and assure you that I shall give it
most careful consideration.

Thos. W. Hardwick

REED SMOOT,
CHAIRMAN.

UNITED STATES SENATE,

COMMITTEE ON
EXPENDITURES IN THE INTERIOR DEPARTMENT.

Washington, D. C.,

December 17, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell,

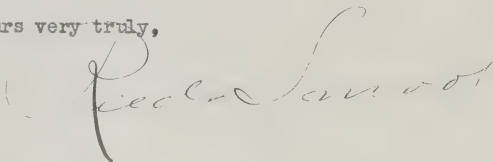
President, American Numismatic Society,
Broadway bet. 155th & 156th Sts.,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of December 14, 1917,
calling my attention to H. R. 6447, and in answer will state
that at my first opportunity, I will secure a copy of the bill
and give it my careful consideration.

With best wishes, I remain

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Reed Smoot". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "R".

J. S. FRELINGHUYSEN,
NEW JERSEY.

United States Senate,

WASHINGTON, D. C.

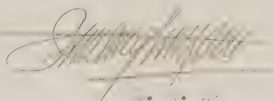
December 17, 1917.

Mr. Edward L. Newell,
New York, N. Y.,

My dear Sir:

I have your favor of the 14th instant. I am interested in the matter which you call my attention to, and shall be happy to look into the Hulbert bill closely, especially if it shall pass the House, as it will probably come before the Committee on Military Affairs, of which I am a member.

Yours very truly,

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SYDNEY ANDERSON
FIRST DISTRICT
MINNESOTA

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WASHINGTON

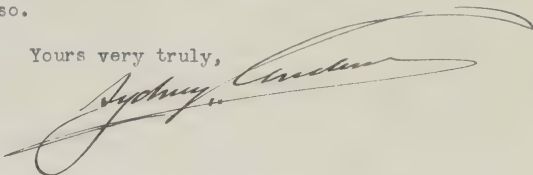
December 17, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell, Pres.,
The American Numismatic Society,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Newell:

In reply to your favor of the 14th instant, relative to the Hulbert Bill, I beg to say that I have not had occasion to examine the bill carefully, but in view of the interest you express, I shall be glad to do so.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Sydney Anderson". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "Sydney Anderson". The signature is written over a horizontal line that extends across the width of the signature.

GUY E. CAMPBELL
32D DIST. PENNSYLVANIA

COMMITTEES:
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PATENTS
ENROLLED BILLS

House of Representatives U. S.
Washington, D. C.

December 17, 1917.

Mr. Edward L. Jewell,
The American Pharmacologic Society,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Jewell:

I have your circular letter with great pleasure
and in consideration of the law.

I am very much interested in the

Very sincerely,

Guy E. Campbell

KEY PITTMAN, NEV., CHAIRMAN.
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E. J. TRENWITH, CLERK.

United States Senate,

COMMITTEE ON TERRITORIES.

December 17, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell,
President, The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway between 155th and 156th Streets,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:-

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of
your letter of December 14th relative to the Hulbert Bill,
H. R. 6447. The matter will have careful consideration.

Very truly yours,



HIRAM W. JOHNSON
CALIFORNIA

United States Senate,

WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 17, 1917

Mr. Edward T. Newell, Pres.,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, bet. 155th & 156th Sts.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Sir:

Your letter of December 14th, concerning legislation to provide valor medals for the American soldier, duly came to me. Should such legislation be presented to the Senate I shall be glad to accord it my fullest attention and consideration.

Sincerely, //

United States Senate,

COMMITTEE ON
IRRIGATION AND RECLAMATION OF ARID LANDS.

December 18, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell, President,
The American Numismatic Society,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Newell:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the 14th instant, rela-
tive to providing "valor medals" for our
soldiers to compare with those awarded to
the soldiers of France and England.

I will give the matter my careful
attention.

Very truly yours,

James D. Phelan

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CLAUDE KITCHIN, CHAIRMAN.
HENRY T. RAINEY.
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COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 18, 1917.

Edward T. Newell, Esq.,

President, American Numismatic Society,

Broadway between 155th and 156th Sts.,

New York City, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of December 14th, with reference to the Hulbert Bill, is received, and when the matter to which it refers comes before us I shall be very glad to give it my most careful consideration.

Yours very truly,

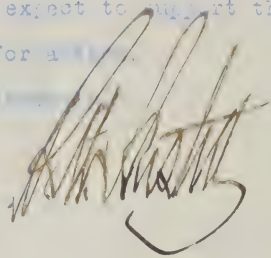
Nicholas Longworth

House of Representatives U. S.
Washington, D. C.

December 18, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell,
Broadway, between 160th & 166th Sts.,
New York, N. Y.

I have your favor of the fourteenth instant,
and in reply will state that I expect to support the
Gilbert bill when it comes up for a vote.

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JOHN R. RAMSEY
6TH DIST. NEW JERSEY

House of Representatives U. S.
Washington, D. C.

Edward T. Hezell, President,
The American Municipal Society,
Broadway, bet. 135th & 136th Sts.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Hezell:-

Your letter of Dec. 14th rec'd. The
which you refer will have my personal attention,
and I wish to thank you for writing me.

John R. Ramsey

ROBERT CROSSER
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
21ST DISTRICT
CLEVELAND, OHIO

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 18, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell, President
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, Between 155th and 156th Streets,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 14th instant, relative
H. R. 6447, and beg to state in reply that when this bill
comes before the House for discussion, it will receive
my careful consideration.

Yours very truly,

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House of Representatives U. S.

Washington, D. C.

December 18, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell,
President, The American Numismatic Society,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Newell:

I was pleased to receive your interesting
favor of the 14th instant, with enclosure.

I will be pleased to give the Hubert
Bill my earnest consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Ben. L. Fairchild

House of Representatives U. S.
Washington, D. C.

December 18, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell,
The American Numismatic Soc.,
Broadway, bet. 155th & 156th Sts.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 14th inst. in support of
the Hulbert Bill, which I assure you will have my careful
consideration.

Very truly,
Yours,

William Gordon

House of Representatives U. S.
Washington, D. C.

December 18, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell, President,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, between 155th & 156th Sts.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter asking me to look into the merits of the Hulbert Bill, H. R. 6447, now before the House Committee on Military Affairs, relating to valor medals.

I shall take pleasure in doing as you suggest and thank you very much for the information contained in your letter to me.

Yours very truly,

Alvan T. Fuller

SCOTT FERRIS, CHAIRMAN

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON THE PUBLIC LANDS

WASHINGTON, D. C.

December
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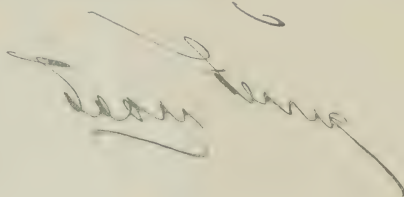
Edward T. Newell, President,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, between 155th & 156th Streets,
New York City.

My dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter
of December 14th, with enclosure.

I am calling the same to the
attention of the Committee on Military
Affairs, which has authority to deal with
the matters mentioned.

Yours very respectfully,

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United States Senate,

COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.

December 18, 1917.

IN RE VALOR MEDAL LEGISLATION.

Dear Mr. Newell:

I received your favor of the 14th instant with reference to the Hulbert Bill, H.R.-6447, also copy of Page 456 from the Scientific American, issue December 15, 1917, carrying article entitled "The Military Decorations of Our Fighting Men". I am glad to have both your letter and this article and assure you when the Hulbert Bill passes the House and comes to the Senate, I shall bear in mind your views and give them the fullest consideration.

Sincerely yours,



Mr. Edward T. Newell,
President, THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY,
Broadway, Between 155th & 156th Streets,
New York City.

AP/CB

SIXTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES U. S.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

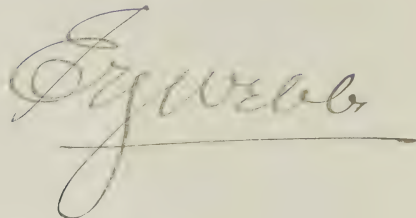
December 18, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell, Pres.,
The American Numismatic Society,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Newell:

Your favor of the 14th instant relative
to the Hulbert Bill, H. R. 6447, is just received, and
I assure you that the bill shall have my careful con-
sideration.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "E. Y. Webb", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

December 18, 1917.

Edward T. Newell, President,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, Between 155 and 156th Sts.,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Newell:

I have your letter of December 14th, to Congressman Rogers, who has not yet returned from a short trip to Europe. I shall be very glad to call it to his attention upon his return.

Very truly yours,

Louis H. Warner
Acting Secretary.

United States Senate,

WASHINGTON, D. C.

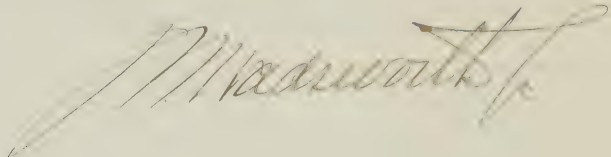
December 18, 1917.

Edward T. Newell, Esq., President,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway and 155th Street,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Newell:

I have your letter of December fourteenth, with reference to providing our soldiers and sailors with "valor medals" and urging that I support H. R. 6447. Thank you very much for writing me on this subject, and for the information your letter contains. If the measure you mention passes the Senate and comes before the Senate for action, you may be sure it will receive my most serious consideration.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Woodworth", is written over a faint, large, stylized watermark of the same name in the background.

House of Representatives U. S.

Washington, D. C. December 18, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell, President,
American Numismatic Society,
B'way, between 155th & 156th Streets,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Newell:

I have your letter of the 14th instant
in the interest of the Mulbert Bill, H.R. 6447, pro-
viding for valor medals and in reply beg to say that
I heartily approve of such legislation and am in deep
sympathy with such and will gladly aid Congressman
Mulbert in his endeavors to bring about the desired
legislation.

Very sincerely yours,

Oscar Wm Swift

OWS/WH

M.C.

EVERETT SANDERS
5TH DIST. INDIANA

MEMBER OF COMMITTEES ON
MINES AND MINING
WAR CLAIMS
ELECTIONS NO. 3

House of Representatives U. S.
Washington, D. C.

December 19, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell,

President The American Numismatic Society,

Broadway, between 155 - 156 Sts.

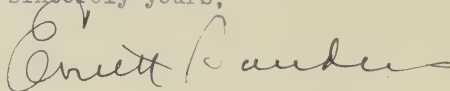
New York City, N.Y.

Mr dear Mr. Newell:-

Your letter of December 14, regarding
the Hulbert Bill, H.R. 6447, now before the
House Committee on Military Affairs received.

I thank you for your letter, and will
give this matter careful consideration when
it comes before the House.

Very sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Everett Sanders".

WILLIAM H. THOMPSON, KANS., CHAIRMAN.
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United States Senate,

COMMITTEE TO
AUDIT AND CONTROL THE CONTINGENT EXPENSES
OF THE SENATE.

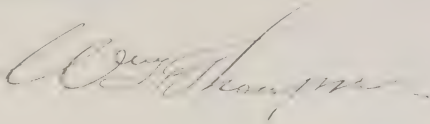
Washington, D. C., Dec. 19, 1917.

Honorable Edward T. Hewell,
Pres., The American Numismatic Society,
New York.

My dear Sir:

Your letter in behalf of your Society,
in favor of legislation to provide valor medals for
our soldiers, received. I shall be glad to give this
matter my earnest consideration.

Yours respectfully,



P. D. NORTON

30 DISTRICT NORTH DAKOTA

HOME ADDRESS: HETTINGER, NORTH DAKOTA

WASHINGTON ADDRESS: 315 HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING

House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.


December 19, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell,
President, The American
Humismatic Society,
Broadway, between 155th and 156th Streets,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge receipt of your
favor of December 14 which has had my careful con-
sideration.

When the bill referred to in your letter
is taken up for action in the House, it will have my
most careful thought and study.

Respectfully,


House of Representatives U. S.
Washington, D. C.

December 19, 1917.

Mr. Edw. T. Newell,
155-156 Sts.,
New York.

My Dear Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge
yours of the 18th instant, and have carefully
noted the contents of your letter relative to the
bills pending in Congress providing for our men
valor medals.

I can assure you I will give the
contents of your letter my earnest and careful
consideration.

With best wishes, I am

Yours sincerely,

GEH-D

HENRY Z. OSBORNE
10TH DIST. CALIFORNIA

HOME ADDRESS:
401 WEST 23D STREET
LOS ANGELES, CAL.

House of Representatives U. S.
Washington, D. C.

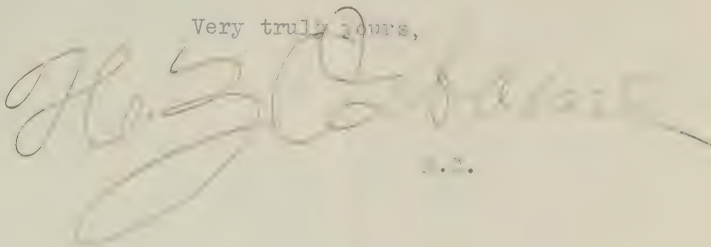
December 19, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell, President,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, Between 155th and 156th Streets,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Newell:

I have your favor of December 14th,
inviting my attention to the Hulbert Bill 6447
now before the Committee on Military Affairs,
and as I take considerable interest in the sub-
ject of your communication, I will be careful
to look into this bill.

Very truly yours,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "H. Z. Osborne". The signature is written over the typed name "Henry Z. Osborne" and extends across the bottom right of the page.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES U. S.

COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AFFAIRS

WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 20, 1917.

Hon. Scott Ferris,

House of Representatives.

Dear Colleague:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, enclosing one from the American Numismatic Society, relative to war medals, which I have had filed with the papers upon this subject.

Yours very truly,

Edw. V. Riedman

EDWARD W. GRAY
8TH DIST. NEW JERSEY

House of Representatives U. S.
Washington, D. C.

December 20, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell,
American Numismatic Society,
New York City.

My dear Sir:

In the temporary absence of Congressman Gray, who is in Newark during the short recess over the holidays, I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of recent date, relative to "valor medals". Upon the Congressman's return, your letter shall be placed before him for consideration.

Sincerely yours,


Secretary.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES U. S.

COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AFFAIRS

WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 20, 1917.

Mr. Edward T. Newell,
President, American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, between 155th & 156th Streets,
New York City.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter with reference to the bill H. R. 6447, introduced by Mr. Mulbert, which I shall be glad to file with the papers in this case.

Yours very truly,

Edw. T. Newell

H. C. LODGE, CHAIRMAN.
E. T. CLARK, CLERK.

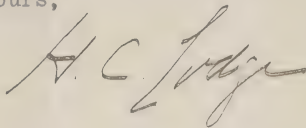
United States Senate,
COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE LAND CLAIMS.

December 21, 1917

My dear Mr. Newell:

I have received your letter together with the article by Mr. Hopkins which I have read with much interest. Under the terms of the bill passed by the Senate providing for the award of medals of honor, no provision is made as to the design of such medals but this question is left to the discretion of the President. I am, however, very glad to have the information which Mr. Hopkins gives and I am obliged to you for sending it.

Very truly yours,



Edward T. Newell, Esq.,
Pres., The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, bet. 155th and 166th Sts.,
New York, N. Y.

United States Senate,

WASHINGTON, D. C.

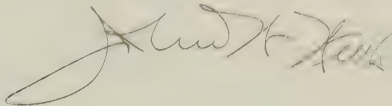
December 21, 1917.

Edward T. Newell, President,
American Numismatic Society,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Newell:

I have your communication of December
fourteenth and will be very glad to keep your views in
mind when the Hulbert Bill is brought up for action.

Very truly yours,

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GEO. E. CHAMBERLAIN, ORE., CHAIRMAN.
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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AFFAIRS

WASHINGTON, D. C.

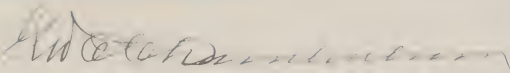
Dec. 24, 1917.

The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, bet. 155th and 156th Sts.,
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

Your letter of the 14th instant, having reference to the enactment of legislation providing for the issuance of medals and decorations for valor, was duly received. While this subject has not yet had the attention of this Committee, the subject will be given the consideration which the statements contained in your letter will be given careful consideration.

Yours very sincerely,



SCOTT FERRIS, CHAIRMAN

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON THE PUBLIC LANDS

WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 26, 1917.

Edward T. Newell, President
American Numismatic Society
Broadway between 155th & 156th Streets
New York City

My dear Sir:

I beg to hand you herewith letter from Hon.
S. H. Dent, Chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs,
which is self explanatory. I shall be glad to assist in
the matter any way I can.

Hoping that the matter works out in precise
accordance with your desires, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Encl



EDWARD C. LITTLE

2D DISTRICT KANSAS

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WASHINGTON, D. C.

COMMITTEES:

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REVISION OF LAWS

December 26, 1917-

Mr. Edward T. Novell,
New York City,
New York.

Dear Sir:

Replying to yours of the 14th instant I wish to say
that I am in sympathy with the plan to some extent. I have
in the Philippines.

Very truly,

ALY

Edward C. Little

JOHN J. EAGAN

11TH DIST. NEW JERSEY

HOME OFFICE: 66 HUDSON STREET
HOBOKEN, N. J.
PHONE, HOBOKEN 105

RESIDENCE: 30 KING AVENUE
WEEHAWKEN, N. J.
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WASHINGTON

Hoboken, N. J., December 27, 1917.

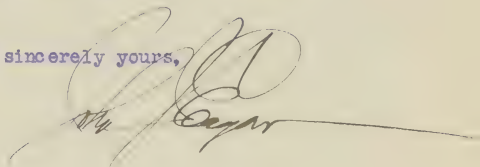
Mr. Edward T. Newell, President,
The American Numismatic Society,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Newell:

Your letter of the 14th was duly received, but owing to pressure of Congressional work this is the first chance I have had to reply.

I shall be very glad to give the Hulbert Bill, H. R. No. 6447, consideration as soon as it comes up for action in the House.

Very sincerely yours,

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES U. S.

COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AFFAIRS

WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 29, 1917.

Edward T. Newell, President,
American Numismatic Society,
Between 155th and 156th Sts.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Sir:

This is to acknowledge receipt of yours of December 18th, regarding the bills before Congress providing for "valor medals."

I have given this matter considerable study, and have gone over the so-called subject bill. I am not sure that this bill meets fully the situation. Perhaps when it is under consideration in the Committee we may be able to put in the bill what will make it more nearly meet the situation.

I can assure you that I can recognize the necessity for some legislation along this line and will be very glad to co-operate in the Military Committee, and in the Senate with the friends of this legislation.

Very respectfully,


SIXTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

CHARLES O. LOBECK, NEBR., CHAIRMAN.
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JESSE D. PRICE, MD.
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HENRY W. TEMPLE, PA.
MAHLON M. GARLAND, PA.
GEORGE M. BOWERS, W. VA.
JAMES H. HANLEY, CLERK.

House of Representatives U. S.

Committee on

Expenditures in the Treasury Department

Washington, D. C.

Dec. 31, 1917.

Mr. E. E. Newell,
President,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, between 155th & 156th Sts.,
New York City.

Dear Sir:-

I have your letter of Dec. 14th, relative to the Hulbert Bill, H. R. 6447. I assure you when this bill comes up for action before Congress it will have my sincere consideration.

Very truly yours,

CCB: 11

Chas. O. Loback

THOMAS W. HARDWICK, GA., CHAIRMAN.
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HARRY LANLINGS. JOHN W. HENDRICKS, W. VA.
E. T. SHURLEY, CLERK.

United States Senate,

COMMITTEE ON INDUSTRIAL EXPOSITIONS.

January 3, 1918.

Mr. Edward T. Newell, Pres.,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway and 155th St.,
New York City.

My dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your favor,
with enclosure, regarding H.R. 6447, and to say that the
same has been brought to Senator Calder's attention.

Very truly yours,



Secretary.

GEO. R. LUNN
30TH DIST. N. Y.

House of Representatives U. S.
Committee on Military Affairs
Washington, D. C.

January 31, 1916.

Mr. Edward W. Newell,
Brooklyn Lot. 154th and 166th Sts.,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Newell:-

Thank you for your letter of December 14th on the
subject of voter medals. I have not yet seen the Ballart Bill,
but my confidence in this particular Congressman leads me to
believe it would secure my undivided support. I shall be glad
to look into it at once.

Sincerely yours,

Geo. R. Lunn

CARROLL S. PAGE, VT., CHAIRMAN.
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CHARLES E. ALDEN, CLERK.
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United States Senate,

COMMITTEE ON

TRANSPORTATION AND SALE OF MEAT PRODUCTS

Hyde Park, Vt. Jan. 11, 1918

Edward T. Newell, Prest.

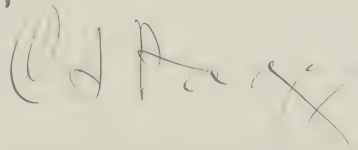
New York.

Dear Mr. Newell:-

Your favor of Dec. 14th reached me here at my home. I have been under the weather for a little time with a severe attack of bronchitis which has obliged me to have absolute rest from my official correspondence and which accounts for delay in replying to your letter.

The fact that you have asked it will prompt me to give the matter attention when it comes before the Senate for consideration.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "C. E. Alden", with a large, stylized "X" or flourish at the end.

MORRIS SHEPPARD,
CHAIRMAN.

United States Senate,

COMMITTEE ON THE CENSUS.

January 11, .

Wm Lloyd Garrison

1955 Correspondence

Hulbert Bill ③:
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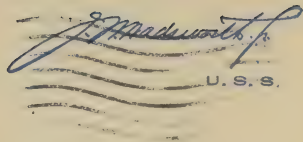
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Edward T. Newell, Esq., President,

The American Numismatic Society,

Broadway and 155th Street,

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THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY,

Broadway, Between 155th and 156th Sts.

New York



Hon. Ebenezer J. Hill,

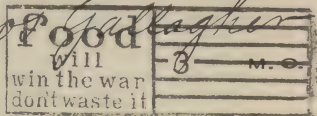
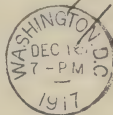
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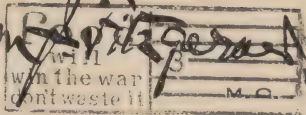
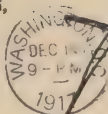
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Mr. Edw. T. Newell, Pres.

The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, bet. 155th & 156th St.,
New York, N. Y.

Committee on Appropriations,
House of Representatives.



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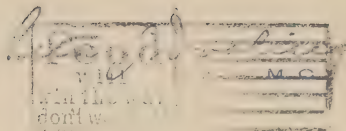
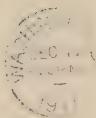
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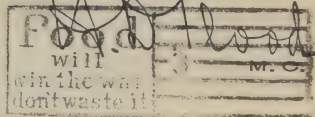
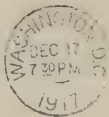
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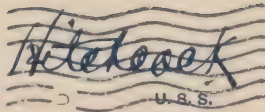
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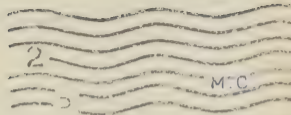


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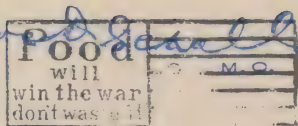
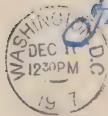
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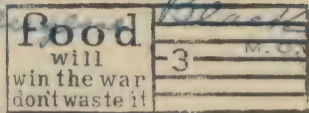
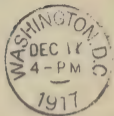
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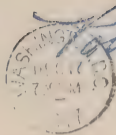
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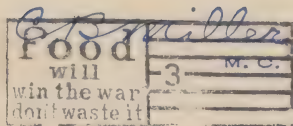
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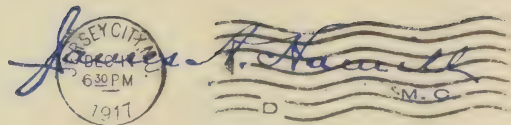


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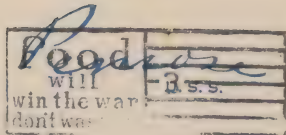
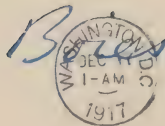


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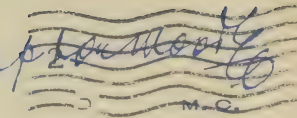
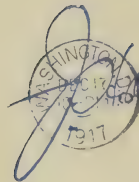
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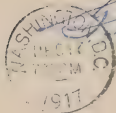
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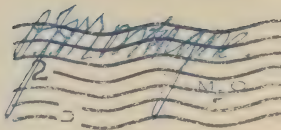
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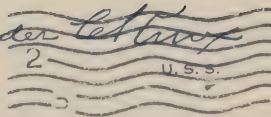
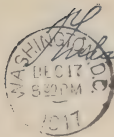
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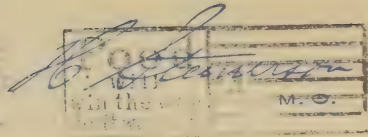
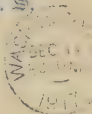
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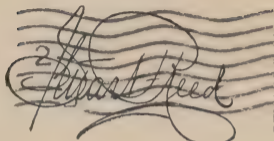
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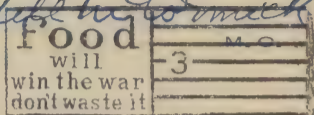
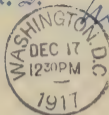


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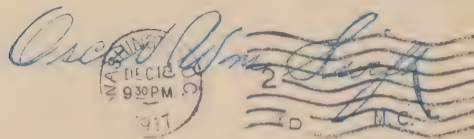
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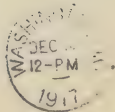
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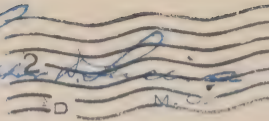
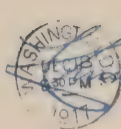
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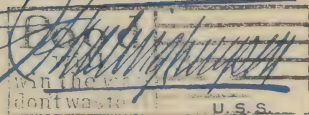
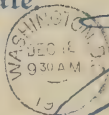


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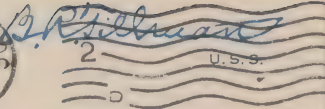
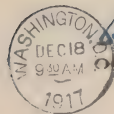
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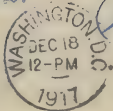
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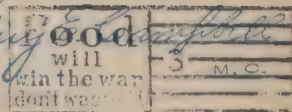
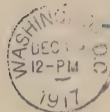


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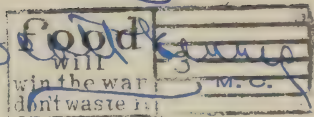
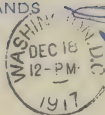


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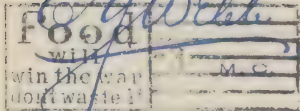


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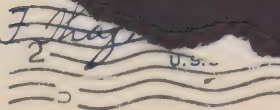
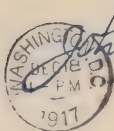
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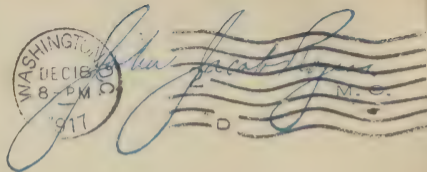


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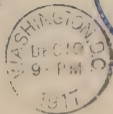
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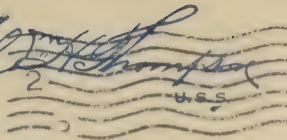


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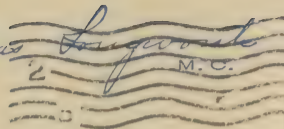
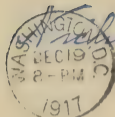
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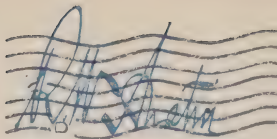
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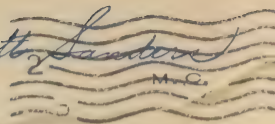
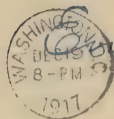
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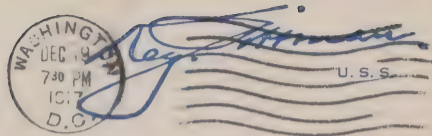


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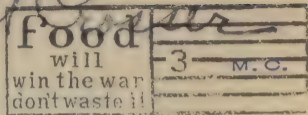
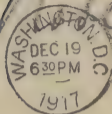
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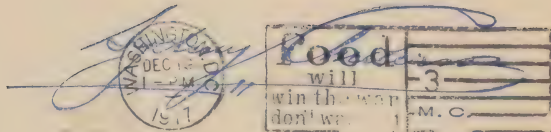
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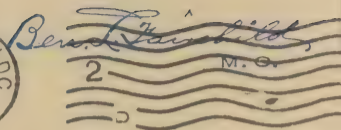
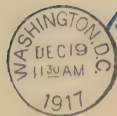
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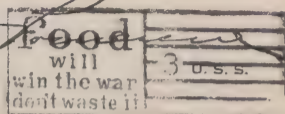


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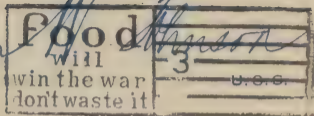
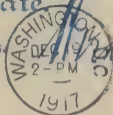


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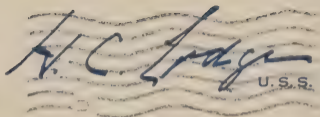
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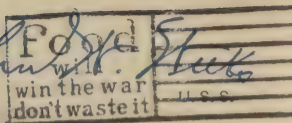
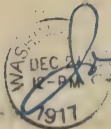


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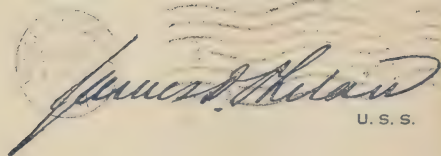
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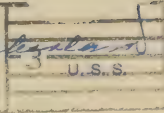
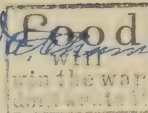
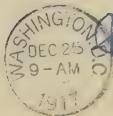
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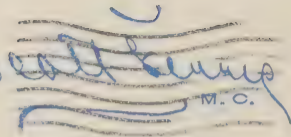
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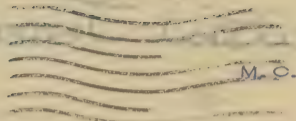
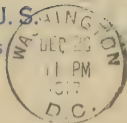
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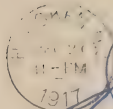
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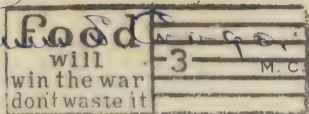
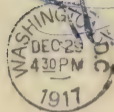
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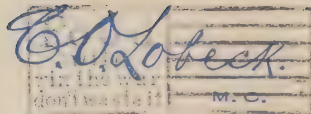
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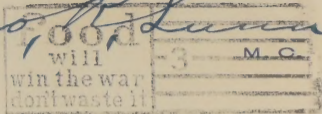
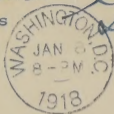


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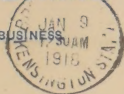
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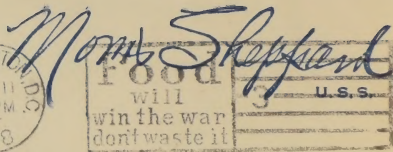
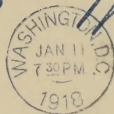
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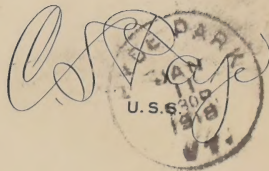


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